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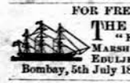


THE fine A. 1 Iron Clipper Ship "KING ARTHUR." Apply to Captain MARSHALL, at Messrs. CURSETJEE and EDULJEE, Forbes Street.

Bombay, 5th July 1864.

STEAM TO KURRACHEE.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company's (Limited) Screw Steam Ship CORINGA, 750 Tons, 160 H. P., Captain ATKINSON, will be despatched to Kurrachee with Mails, Passengers and Cargo twelve hours after arrival of the English Mail.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

N. B.—Shippers are particularly requested to send off their Cargo as early as possible bearing in mind the early arrival of the English Mail Steamers during the S. W. Monsoon.

STEAM TO KURRACHEE AND THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company's (Limited) Screw Steam Ship COMORIN, 569 Tons, 100 (H. P.,) Captain TAUNTON, will be despatched to Kurrachee and the Persian Gulf on the 13th July, with Passengers and Cargo, touching at Muscat, Bunder Abbas, and Bushire.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS AND CALCUTTA.

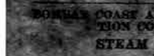
THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) Screw Steam Ship PENANG, 850 Tons, 160 H. P., Captain F. BLACK-MORE, will be despatched on the 15th July with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, for Calcutta, touching at Carwar, Cochin, or Narrakel, Tuticorin, Colombo, Negapatam, Madras, Masulipatam, Coconada, Vizagapatam and Kidderpore.

FULCHER, COOPER & Co.

7, Rampart Row, 20th June 1864.

BOMBAY, COAST AND RIVER SCREW NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED).

STEAM TO KURRACHEE.



THE Steamer WILLIAM FAIRLIE, 600 Tons, 100 H. P., Captain [illegible], will be despatched on the 15th July with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, touching at Carwar, Cochin, Tuticorin, Colombo, Negapatam, Madras, Masulipatam, Coconada, Vizagapatam and Kidderpore.

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Passengers by the P. and O. Company's Steamers to Suez can have their baggage forwarded by that Company's Steamers to Southampton at a charge of 10s. per cwt., to which the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Suez will attend.

The undersigned Agents are prepared to grant passage tickets for the Steamers plying between Alexandria and Trieste and for the railway between Suez and Alexandria.

Rates of passage-money, including a *liberal* table and steward's fees from Alexandria to Trieste, *first-class* £15; *second-class* £10; *children* under 10 years at *half fare* under 2 years *free*. *Reduced fares* for FAMALIES, consisting of no less than three members travelling together; *first-class* £12 7/3 per head; *second-class* £8-5 per head. Railway tickets from Suez to Alexandria with all the privileges of Passengers by the P. and O. Co., *first-class* £7, *second-class* £3 10s.; *children* over 3 and under 10 years at *half fare*. For further particulars, apply to

A. H. HUSCHKE & Co.,
Agents for the Austrian Lloyd.

Bombay, 27, Medow Street.

NOTICE.

Travellers by the Overland route *via* Trieste can have their Pass-Ports *viseé* for Austria and Prussia by the undersigned.

A. C. GUMPERT,
Consul for Austria and Prussia.

Bombay, 27, Medow Street.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Goods per Ship *Wellington*, GEO. DITCHBURN, Master, from London, are requested to send off Boats for their Cargo without delay, failing which they will be landed at their expense and risk.

Captain DITCHBURN will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it has left the ship's Deck.

REMINGTON & Co.,
Agents for Captain and Owners of the *Wellington*.

Bombay, 15th June 1864.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship *Comete*, E. DEBRUN, Master, from Calcutta, are requested to send off Boats at once for their respective Goods, failing which, they will be landed at the risk and expense of the Proprietors. The Captain will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after the same has left the Ship's deck.

MONTAULARD AND TALLADA,
Agents for Owners and Captain of ship *Comete*.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per ship *Canada Belle*, Captain HENDERSON, from London, are requested to send off Boats for their respective Goods as they come to hand, failing which, the same will be landed at their risk and expense.

Captain HENDERSON will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it has left the Ship's deck.

All landing orders accompanied with Bill of Lading to be sent to the undersigned for countersignature.

FRAMJEE, SANDS & Co.,
Agents for Captain HENDERSON and Owners.

Bombay, 23rd June 1864.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo, per Ship *Euretta*, Captain JEWSON, from London, are requested to send off Boats for their respective Goods as they come to hand, falling which, the same will be landed at their risk and expense.

Captain JEWSON will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it has left the Ship's deck.

All landing orders, accompanied with Bill of Lading, to be sent to the undersigned for countersignature.

ASHBURNER, BELL & Co.,
Agents for Captain JEWSON and Owners.

Bombay, 9th July 1864.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES PER *SHANNON*, FROM LIVERPOOL.—With reference to previous advertisement it is hereby notified for the information of Consignees, that as the ship is being seriously delayed in discharging for want of boats, all goods consigned to order for which boats are not alongside to take delivery as they come to hand, are being landed on account and risk of the consignees, with instruction that they be retained until payment of such charges as may be incurred.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents., Ship *Shannon*.

Bombay, 5th July 1864.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES PER *CAMPBELL*, FROM LONDON.—With reference to previous advertisement, it is hereby notified for the information of Consignees, that as the ship is being seriously delayed in discharging for want of boats, all goods consigned to order for which boats are not alongside to take delivery as they come to hand, are being landed on account and risk of the concerned, with instructions that they be retained until payment of such charges as may be incurred.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents., Ship *Campbell*.

Bombay, 5th July 1864.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES of { WK & Co. / L V & Co. } 601 1150—550 Casks Allum, per *Moravshire*, from London, consigned to order, are requested to despatch boats at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 11th July 1864.

NOTICE.—The ship *The Sir Jamsetjee Family*, now in harbour, being ready to discharge her Cargo, Consignees are requested to send off Boats without delay to the ship to land their Goods, otherwise Captain WILSON will have the Goods landed at the risk and expense of the parties concerned.

Capt-in WILSON will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it has left the ship's deck.

CURSETJEE FURDOONJEE & Co.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Goods per Ship *India*, W. STEWART, Master, from Liverpool, are requested to send off Boats for their Cargo without delay, failing which, they will be landed at their expense and risk.

Captain STEWART will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it once leaves the Ship's deck.

REMINGTON & Co.,
Agents for Captain and Owners of the *India*.

Bombay, 6th June 1864.

THE "AGINCOURT" having a full Poop in which no Cargo will be stowed, offers spacious accommodations for Passengers, and carrying a Stewardess, is a good opportunity for Families wishing to proceed to Liverpool the first week in July. Apply to Captain PENRICE on board, or to

LYON, BROTHERS & Co., Consignees.

THE FRENCH SHIPPING COMPANY (LIMITED).—The time for paying the Call and signing the Memorandums and Articles of Association of this Company is extended to THURSDAY, the 14th instant.

6th July 1864. W. H. CRAWFORD.

NOTICE.—We have from this date admitted MR. FREDERICK VIX as a partner in our firm, and we also granted our procuration to MR. CESAR HUNI.

JULES SIEGFRIED & Co.

Bombay, 1st July 1864.

MR. RUSTOMJEE ARDASEER is authorised to sign for me per procuration from this date.

MERWANJEE NUSSERWANJEE BHOWNUGGREE.

Bombay, 13th June 1864.

THE following Passages are required:—

FROM BOMBAY TO THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

For (3) three time-expired Men of Her Majesty's Military Service.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 20th June 1864.

A CARD.—MR. G. LATHAM, Civil Engineer. Architect and Surveyor. Offices—9 Rampart Row, Fort.

THE BANK OF HINDUSTAN, CHINA AND JAPAN (LIMITED).—The rate of interest allowed by the Bank on short date deposits, subject to 15 days' notice of withdrawal, will be two per cent. per annum, until further notice.

W. F. WEDGE,
Manager.

Bombay, 16th June 1864.

NOTICE TO SHIPMASTERS.—For Sale, by Private Contract, the Masts, Yards, Rigging, and Sails, of the ship *Herefordshire*, also a quantity of miscellaneous small stores. Intending purchasers are invited to inspect these stores on Board, the ship now lying off Mazagon Bunder.

Particulars of sale may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

FULCHER, COOPER & Co.

7, Rampart Row, 20th June 1864.

BANK OF INDIA.—Notice is hereby given, that the FIRST CALL of Rs. 30 per Share, on the second issue of Shares is payable on the 14th day of July 1864, after which date Interest will be charged upon the unpaid Calls at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN GRAY, Manager.

Bombay, 22nd June 1864.

NOTICE.—THE EAST INDIA BANK have THIS DAY commenced business, at their temporary Premises, Byculla Lane, (lately vacated by the Scinde, and Delhi Banks), under the management of MR. W. [illegible]

Bombay, 25th June 1864.

NOTICE.—The undersigned is prepared to negotiate Loans on the security of Shares and Stocks [illegible] Securities regarding the Scinde, and Delhi Loans, under the management of MR. W. [illegible]

Office, No. 14 Rampart Row.

By order of the Directors,
A. CUMMING, Secretary.

Bombay, 25th June 1864.

BOMBAY JOINT STOCK COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the period for payment of the Second Call of Rs. 100 per Share is extended from the 30th August to the 31st August next, after which date Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged upon the unpaid Calls, and the Shares become liable to forfiture.

By order of the Directors,
E. LIVINGSTON, Manager.

FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIA AND CHINA (LIMITED).—The Associatio receives Deposits for fixed periods.

Makes advances on approved Securities.

Negotiates Loans, &c.

Effects purchases and sales of Stocks, Shares and Debentures.

By order,
JOHN SMITH, Secetary.

Bombay, 30th June 1864.

NOTICE.—The undersigned are abou to wind up their business in Bombay, and Noticis hereby given, that all persons having claims against the Firm, and owing money to the Firm, are hereby required to send in their claims, and pay the amounts due from them on or before the 15th instant.

FRANGOPULO, AGELASTO & Co.

Bombay, 6th July 1864.

A TAVERN TO BE SOLD OUT—THE AMERICAN SEAMEN'S HOME, No. 1, BURGOWS' LANE, GIRGAUM ROAD.—The fixtures of this House will be sold together with the License and Out-buildings, Bowling Alleys, and every thing complete.

Also, one Horse, Buggy, and Harness, all complete. Several fine Dogs, and a splendid litter of Pups.

Several barrels of Brandy, Wine, Flour, in good order. A large quantity of Beer and Cider and Wine.

3 or 4,000 dozens of empty Bottles, more or less. Apply to

J. R. LOW, on the premes.

N.B.—Immediate entry can be had.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Rght of Occupancy of he Lands stated in the margin, together with privilege of Reclamation, will be put to Auction on TUESDAY, the 19th July, 1864, at the Collector's Office Tanna, at 3 P. M.

LAKOOD KHAR.

452 Acres and 34½ Goontas, assessment Rupees 873-11 per annum, situated at the village of Manickpoor in the Bassein Talooka of the Tanna Zilla.

BABOOL KHAR.

Survey No. 101,490 Acres and 8 Goontas, unassessed, situated at the village of Oombeman in the Bassein Talooka of the Tanna Zilla.

BHAN KHAR.

Containing about 792 acres, assessed at about Rs. 1268-5, and situated within the bounds of the villages of Toling, Nilemora, and Atsola in the Talooka of the Tanna Zilla.

2. The terms of sale can be seen at the Collector's Office, Tanna, and all enquiries will be answered.

3. These valuable Estates are close to the Bombay, Baroda and Central Railway Stations at Manickpoor and Verar.

STEWART ST. J. GORDON, Collector.

Tanna, Collector's Office, 7th July 1864.

EUROPEAN PENSIONERS' AND WIDOWS' HOME, TARDEO—Supported by Voluntary Contributions.—Donations to the above Institution of Clothes, and Books (suitable for the Pensioners' Library), will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged by the Secretary.

Major J. T. ANNESLEY, Treasurer, Captain TURNER, Secretary.

BOMBAY LANDING AND SHIPPING COMPANY (LIMITED.)

बंबे लांडींग ऐंड शिपींग कंपनी (लिमीटेड).

धी बाम्बे लेनडींग ऐंड शीपींग कम्पनी

(लीमीटेड.)

A FINAL CALL of Rupees 500 per Share in the above Company is payable at the Office of Messrs. REMINGTON & Co. on or before the 15th August 1864.

By order of the Directors,
HENRY BROOKE, Honorary Secretary.

Bombay, 6th July 1864.

THE ORIENTAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (LIMITED).

INCORPORATED UNDER "THE COMPANIES' ACT, 1862," WITH LIMITED LIABILITY.

Capital—£1,000,000, *in* 20,000 *Shares of* £50 *each.*
(WITH POWER TO INCREASE).

FIRST ISSUE 10,000 SHARES,

UPON WHICH THE FIRST CALL OF £5 PER SHARE ALREADY PAID UP.

THE object of this Company is to promote Financial, Commercial, and Industrial enterprise in India and the East by the application of English Capital. The Corporation will act as General Financial Agents, will make advances on approved Securities, and will promote the development of the internal resources of the country by assisting in the establishment of sound industrial undertakings and enterprises. The Corporation will also undertake on Commission the Investment of Funds placed in its hands either in the purchase of property, or in lending it out on mortgage, and other securities. It will receive deposits at rates to be agreed upon; and it will take powers to issue Bonds or Obligations on the Security of its Mortgages and Subscribed Capital.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 6th July 1864.

NOTICES.

WANTED TO PURCHASE A GOOD SADDLE and BRIDLE, suitable for a Poney 13½ hands. Address giving price and all particulars to "R. P. C.," *Bombay Gazette* Office.

WANTED EMPLOYMENT BY A RESPECTABLE MIDDLE-AGED EUROPEAN, willing to make himself useful in any capacity where steadiness, industry, and integrity are required. Unexceptional references. Address "W.," care of Manager *Bombay Gazette*.

BOMBAY CONTRACT AND BUILDING COMPANY (LIMITED.)—WANTED.—An energetic man, European or native, as Overseer to the Company's Brick Factory at Kirkee. He must be thoroughly acquainted with the making of Bricks in India. Apply by letter with certificates of character and pay required to the Secretary of the Company.

By order of the Directors,
A. CUMMING, Secretary.

Bombay, 30th June 1864.

NOTICE.—MR. JOHN DARIUS SYBRANDT, of New Orleans, and MR. WILLIAM JOYNSON, of Liverpool, are admitted partners in our firm.

MARTIN, YOUNG & Co.

Bombay, 30th June 1864.

TIFFINS! TIFFINS!! TIFFINS!!!—The best Tiffin in Bombay to be had at half-past one o'clock daily, at the Cambridge Hotel.

E. LARTER, Proprietor.

Also, a first-class Billiard Table.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—FOR SKIN ERUPTIONS AND PRICKLY HEAT.—To those who suffer from Prickly Heat and Eruptions on the Skin, use Osborne and Company's Petroline Soaps prepared from the pure Barbadoes Petroleum; a most certain remedy, and most extensively used in all tropical climates; it is particularly recommended to Ladies with tender skins, and also for the Nursery, being the mildest and most cleansing Soap for Children.

The genuine has the address of the makers on each packet viz., Osborne, Bauer and Cheesman; 19 Golden Square, London. Sold by TREACHER & Co., Bombay, Byculla, and Poona.

BANK OF INDIA.—At a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders held within the Offices of the Bank on MONDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 P.M., the following Resolutions passed at the General Meeting held on the 18th day of May last, were unanimously confirmed:—

1. That the number of the Shares in the Capital of the Company be reduced from 40,000 to 24,000 by allotting three shares of Rupees 250 each to each holder on the 15th day of June next of five original Shares the same to be taken in exchange for such original Shares.

2. That the Capital of the Company be increased to Rupees One Crore by the issue of 16,000 new Shares of Rupees 250 each, and that two of such new Shares be offered to each Shareholder at par in respect of every five original Shares in the Capital which he may hold on the same 15th day of June 1864.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN GRAY, Manager.

Bombay, 21st June 1864.

With reference to the above, Notice is hereby given, that Shareholders are required to send in their Certificates and Receipts on or after the 27th instant, in order that the said change may be effected.

JOHN GRAY, Manager.

THE EAST INDIA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION (LIMITED.)—CAPITAL, £1,000,000 IN 20,000 SHARES.—Messrs. LECKIE & Co. having been appointed Agents in Bombay for the abovenamed Company which has been established in England, hereby give notice, that they are prepared at once to transact the following business:—

To receive money on loan or deposit, to advance money on the security of Land or Houses, &c., already built or in course of erection, for the improvement, or cultivation of Land, to Contractors for public and private Works; and on Shares, Stocks, and Securities.

Further particulars may be obtained from the above named firm.

Bombay, 25th June 1864.

VICTORIA LAND AND PRESS COMPANY (LIMITED).—Notice is hereby given, that the Second Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders, will be held at our office on FRIDAY the 29th July, at noon. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th to 28th July inclusive.

RITCHIE, STEUART & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

4th July, 1864.

BOMBAY JOINT STOCK CORPORATION (LIMITED)

बम्बाइ जॉइन्ट स्टाक कारपोरेशन (लीमीटेड.)

THE Provisional Share Certificates in the Corporation will be issued from the 20th July on delivery of the allotment letters at the Secretary's Office, No. 14 Rampart Row.

By order of the Directors,
JAMES BLAIR, Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 9th July 1864.

BOMBAY [illegible] AT A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Proprietors of the Bank of Bombay, held this day at the Bank, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Present:—Hugh Inglis, President, in the Chair; H. Sassoon, Esq., Pestonjee Bomanjee, Esq., Hon'ble Walter R. Crawford, Hon'ble Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Sorabjee Cowasjee Pewalla, Esq., Ardaseer Cursetjee, Esq.; Framjee Cowasjee Patell, Esq., Pallanjee Pevalla, Esq., S. F. Liddesdale, Esq., Gregory Remington, Esq., R. Mollwraith, Esq., Brigadier General [illegible], C.B.; Sapphiah Varadiah, Esq., Col. Trevor, R.A., Thomas Jones, Esq., H. Hamilton, Esq., Rustomjee Manockjee Limjee, Esq.

The Secretary having read the requisition and notice as published in the *Government Gazette* and Newspapers calling the Meeting, also the Section of the Bank Charter under which it was convened,

The following Resolution was proposed by the Hon'ble W. R. CASSELS seconded by ARDASEER BOMANJEE, Esq., and carried "That the Resolution passed at the Special General Meeting of the proprietors held on the 7th March last be rescinded, and that it is now resolved to issue one new Share for each old Share in place of one for every two as formerly resolved, making the paid-up Capital of the Bank Rs. 2,99,99,000."

The Resolution was seconded by Ardaseer Bomanjee, Esq., and carried.

The Chairman then informed the Meeting that in accordance with the powers vested in the Directors by Section V. of Act X. of 1863, it has been determined to raise the new Capital by issuing new Shares in the following manner:—

1st. That one Share be allotted and offered to each Proprietor at par for every old Share which he may hold on the 1st of October one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, such new Shares to be issued as hereinafter stated.

2nd. That the amount of the new Shares shall be paid by instalments as under—

Rs. 300 on or before the 1st of October 1864.
" 300 " " 1st of November 1864.
" 400 " " 1st of December 1864.

3rd. That upon all instalments paid up on account of the new Shares from the first of October to the thirty-first of December, interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the date of payment will be allowed.

4th. That any Proprietor failing to pay the several instalments within fifteen days of the due dates respectively shall be charged interest thereon at twelve per cent. per annum from the due date until payment.

5th. That if all the instalments together with any interest which may be due on the same respectively shall not be paid on or before the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four it will be in the discretion of the Directors to cancel the allotment and to forfeit any instalment or instalments which may have been paid in respect thereof and thereupon to realiot or dispose of the share as they may think fit.

6th. That when and as soon as all the instalments of each new Share (with any interest due in respect thereof) shall have been paid, the Directors will issue to the Proprietors the new Share in exchange for the receipts for the instalments.

7th. That the holders of the new Shares shall be entitled to Dividend from the 1st of January 1865.

8th. That all new Shares the allotments of which shall be cancelled shall be disposed of for the benefit of the Bank at the discretion of the Directors.

It was then proposed by George Inverarity, Esq., seconded by Cowasjee Manockjee Limjee, Esq., and carried unanimously—That the course of action determined on by the Directors be approved by this Meeting.

Proposed by R. Mellwraith, Esq., seconded by Cursetjee Pallonjee Powalla, Esq., and carried—That a copy of these proceedings be sent to each Shareholder, and that they be advertised.

Proposed by Cowasjee Jehanghier, Esq., seconded by the Hon'ble Mr. Cassels, and carried unanimously—That the thanks of the Meeting be offered to the Chairman for his conduct in the Chair.

The meeting then dissolved.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES BLAIR, Secretary and Treasurer.

THORNHILL BROTHERS & Co., Watch-makers, Jewellers, Opticians, and Engravers, beg to inform the Public in general, that they received by the last Overland Mail Steamer, a large assortment of the most fashionable Jewellery, such as Rings, Ear-rings, Bracelets in Gold, set with Diamonds, Ladies' Chains, Albert Chains, Brooches, Pins, Lockets, &c. &c., expressly selected by MR. J. THORNHILL, London.

Also, a splendid stock of Watches for Ladies and Gentlemen, Clocks, Palanquin Clocks, &c. &c.

Bombay—Established, 1830.

No notice will be taken of any order unless accompanied by a remittance.

PAGOO SHAMJEE has just received per Overland Ladies', Girls' and Boys' Untrimmed Straw Hats and Caps, fine Cotton and Colored Fancy Stripped Hose, best Woollen Thread and Silk White and Colored Gawgalletts, Rag Dolls, assorted Colored Berlin Wool Worsted Patterns for Cushions, with Wool to match, Ladies' and Children's Boots, Gentlemen's Collars, Silk Scarfs, Thread Gloves, Goloshes, and variety of Articles.

PONDICHERY CIGARS AND CHEROOTS OF SIZES.—TREACHER & CO., (Limited,) are in receipt of a batch of Cigars and Cheroots, sizes Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

SELECTED TEAS FROM CHINA.—Messrs. TREACHER & Co.(Limited) have made arrangements with Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., China, for CONSTANT SHIPMENTS of the BEST TEAS selected by J. M. & Co.'s Tea-taster at Canton.

Flowery Pekoe,
Souchong,
Best Mixed Souchong and [illegible] In 7 lbs. boxes,
Do. do. do. and [illegible]
Do. Orange Pekoe,
Do. Green Teas.

MOCHA COFFEE and [illegible] best to hand.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

ON SALE at the Godowns of Messrs. GREY & Co., fresh supplies of Morice Cox & Co's PALE ALE, in 4 dozens Casks, at Rs. 5½ per dozen.

Bombay, 4th July 1864.

FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the undersigned, good old Golden SHERRY at Rs. 16 per Dozen, and SPARKLING MOSELLE and HOCK at Rs. 25 per Dozen. LEGGATT & Co.

Bombay, 5th April 1864.

ON SALE.—At the Godowns of the undersigned:—

Hock and Moselle, Sparkling Superior.
Sherries, superior Pale Dry, excellent Golden.
Clarets, Dinner, Breakfast, St. Estephe.
Guns, Pistols, and Revolvers, Monte Christo Saloon Rifles and Pistols, Cartridge Cases, &c.

PAGLIANO & Co.

10, Hummum Street.

FOR SALE AT THE GODOWNS OF THE UNDERSIGNED.—Pale Sherry, of superior quality, from several of the Leith Wine Houses,—at reasonable prices; also good sound Sherry, of a cheaper quality; and a few cases of first-class Cognac Brandy, (J. Robin & Co.)

CAMPBELL, MITCHELL & Co.

Bombay, 27th June 1864.

J. & C. WHITE & Co.'s WINES, as follows:—

Sherry, quarts, in 2 dozen Cases.
Port, quarts, in 2 dozen Cases.
Port pints, in 4 dozen Cases.

THOMAS HINE & Co.'s BRANDY in 2 Dozen Cases Vintage 1854 Rs. 32.
2 Do. do. do. 1853 " 26.
2 Do. do. do. 1860 " 23.

Apply to GEORGE S. KING & Co.

HAHN KUHN & Co., 7, PARSEE BAZAR STREET, have for sale,

NEWHOUSE'S SHERRY.
Do. PORT.
GOERG'S PERLE CHAMPAGNE.
Do. RUBY do.

FOR SALE.—The undersigned have on sale at their Godowns, in Dean Lane, the following Wines and Goods, received from the first houses of London and Bordeaux:—

	per doz.
BRANDIES.—Martell's	Rs. 28
" Otard, Dupuy's 1857	" 24
" Old Champagne Cognac	" 36
GIN.—Booth's Old Tom	" 15
SHERRY.—Martinez, Gassiot's	" 24
SPARKLING MOSELLES & HOCKS.—Mumm's	" 30
" Gerolhwolf's.	" 25
CHAMPAGNES.—Forestier's (Pints & Quarts)	" 25
DRY SILLERY.—Very fine (do.)	" 40
CLARETS.—St. Julien and Leoville	" 17
" The first growths	" 30

GUNS and RIFLES.—Daw's celebrated breech-loaders, and a few of Calisher and Terry's, in Cases, complete, made expressly for India.

Adam's Revolvers, in Cases, complete.

Bombay, 1st July 1864. BLACKWELL & Co.

N. B.—Messrs. B. and Co. will shortly receive by the *Janet Mitchell* direct from Younger and Co. a shipment of their India Pale Ales, for which they will take orders "to arrive" at Rs. 4½ Quarts, and Rs. 3 Pints.

ALLSOPP'S INDIA PALE ALE in excellent condition, bottled by F. FRIEND & Co., in Magnums and Quarts at Rs. 10 and Rs. 5 per dozen respectively; also their STOUT PORTER at Rs. 5 per dozen for Quarts. Apply to CARDWELL, PARSONS & Co., Rampart Row.

N. B.—Messrs. F. FRIEND & Co., having suffered severely from the forgery of their labels, have adopted a new Trade Mark, which is also impressed on the capsule, and particular attention is called to it.

TO THE TRADE.

TENNENT'S BEER AND PORTER.—The undersigned have always on hand direct supplies of Messrs. J. and R. Tennent's East India Pale Ale, and XX Porter.

Purchasers are particularly requested to observe that the name "J. and R. Tennent, Glasgow," should be branded on the Cork.

FRAMJEE, SANDS & Co.,
Sole Agents to Messrs. J. and R. Tennent.

Bombay, 10th February 1864.

FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the undersigned, the following Wines just, received from Glasgow:—

Superior high-flavoured, rich Gold Sherry	Rs. 20 per doz.
Fine Old Port	" 18 "
Very fine Do.	" 23 "
Finest, very old, full flavoured Port	" 26 "
Also a few octaves of fine old Port, ready for use	" 100 each.
Superior St. Emilion Claret	" 24 per doz.

Bombay, April, 1864. FINLAY, CLARK & Co.

JUST received from Clyde, and on Sale at the Godowns of the undersigned:—

Francois Freres Pale Brandy	Rs 18 per dozen.
Marc Arnauld's Old Pale Cognac	" 26 "
Younger's Edinburgh Pale Ale, very suitable for the climate of India, in Casks of 4 dozen Quarts	" 5 "

Bombay, June, 1864. FINLAY, CLARK & Co.

FOR SALE.—Messrs. Nathaniel Johnston & Sons Superior CLARETS, at the undermentioned greatly reduced prices, to close an account:—

No. 2, a rich Dinner Claret, in Quarts	Rs. 21	0 per dozen.
" " " Ditto in Pints	11	8 " "
" 3, a full flavored Do., in Quarts	16	8 " "
" " " Ditto in Pints	9	0 " "
" 7, a light Breakfast Do. in Quarts	12	8 " "

Apply to LEGGATT & Co., Rampart Row.

PRINCE OF WALES' MESS BRANDY.—The undersigned have been appointed by Prévérand DeSonneville, Esq., of Bordeaux, Sole Agents for India for the sale of the above celebrated Brandy. A constant supply of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd qualities always on hand in 1 dozen cases.

PASSMORE & Co.
3, Meadow Street.

MUMM'S CHAMPAGNE.—The undersigned have been appointed by Messrs. G. H. Mumm & Co. of Rheims, Sole Agents for the sale of their celebrated Champagne Wines at Bombay and Kurrachee. A constant supply always on hand.

PASSMORE & Co.
3, Meadow Street.

FOR SALE.—MESSRS. J. P. CORNFORTH & Co. have for sale at their Godowns the following:—

Pale Ale (Indian)	... ...	Quarts Rs. 5 per doz.
Pale Ale, Lewis and Allen, by Leamington	" "	5 "
Stout, "	" "	" " 5 "
Stout, Maclen & Co. XXX	... ...	" " 5 "
Do. do.	" "	Pints " 3½ "
Porter, Trueman, Hanbury & Buxton		Quarts " 4½ "
Ale, Allsopps...	.. ..	" " 5 "

J. P. CORNFORTH & Co.

10, Hummum Street, 25th June 1864.

FOR SALE, (apply to MERWANJEE MANECKJEE, Godown keeper at the Office of the undersigned.

BEER—Tennent's Pale Ale, in qts. at ..... per dz. Rs. 4½
" Do. in pints ..... " " "

N. B.—In the barrel (containing 3 or 4 dozen of quarts) and 6 dozen of pints), with an allowance of one bottle per dozen for breakage and ullage. For 50 dozen and upwards a reduction might be made.

	per dozen.
BRANDY—Good Pale Cognac, from France, at	Rs. 16
Old do. do.	" 18
BURGUNDY—Light Beaujolais, red Capsules	" 15
Do. white do.	" 13
CHAMPAGNE—Rrinart's, red Seal, in quarts	" 38
Green Seal, quarts	" 42
CLARET—Chateau Leoville, fine	" 32
Chateau Beychevelle	" 17
St. Estephe, a light breakfast wine	" 13
GINGER WINE—Scarle's, from Leith	" 9
PORT—Carbonell's old fruity. } Expected shortly.	" 32
SHERRY—Do. pale old dry. }	
Good pale tiffin (Cortisos')	" 22
Dry pale dinner (do.)	" 28

CANDLES, a few boxes (25 lb. each) fine Sperm, p. box ..... " 12

CARBINES and RIFLES { Westley Richards' Breechloaders, (as also Caps and Cartridges.) } At various prices.

SAFES—Milners' and Price's patent fireproof

IRON CHAIRS—Brown Brothers' celebrated folding...

EWART, LATHAM & Co.

Bruce Lane, 22nd Feb. 1864.

TOD-HEATLY & Co.
(LATE R. TODD, AND JAMES ADELPHI, LONDON.)

MESSRS. CARDWELL PARSONS & Co., Agents for the above well-known firm, have on sale at their Godowns the following WINES, &c.:— Per doz.

Champagne, Brand Tod-Heatly & Co. Magnum. Rs.	80 0
Champagne, Brand Tod-Heatly & Co.	40 0
Do. a Crown	30 0
Do. " Tod-Heatly & Co. Pints	21 0
Moselle, Sparkling Extra, 1st quality	40 0
Moselle, Sup. Sparkling Brand Tod-Heatly & Co.	36 0
Do. Fine " Brand a Crown	30 0
Do. Fine " Brand a Crown Pints	16 0
Hock, Sparkling Brand Tod-Heatly & Co.	36 0
Sherry Pale, Blue Seal	22 0
Do. Do. Yellow Seal	29 0
Do. Golden, Do.	29 0
Do. Green Seal	29 0
Do. Vino Fino	29 0
Do. Red Seal	33 0
Do. Amontillado, Black Seal	33 0
Claret Light Capsule,	15 0
Do. Yellow Seal	25 0
Do. Red Do. Pints	29 0
Do. Do. Do. Quarts	32 0
Port, Black Seal	26 0
Brandy, Vieux Cognac	34 0
Do. Brand a Crown	24 0
Old Tom, Red Seal	18 0
Dry Gin, Black Seal	18 0

N. B.—Messrs. TOD-HEATLY & Co. are prepared to execute direct orders as usual.

Rampart Row, 20th May 1863.

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HOUSES, &c., TO LET.

TO LET.—Several Godowns at the Victoria Bunder. Apply to

RITCHIE, STEUART & Co.

TO BE LET.—A House, No. 5, Bake House Lane, Fort, fitted and matted, suitable for a Bachelor. Apply to LEGGATT & Co.

15, Rampart Row, Bombay, 6th July, 1864.

TO BE LET, light, airy, and commodious OFFICES, very cool, and a convenient distance from the Court House, Custom House, &c. Rent moderate. Apply

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE BOMBAY ARMY LIST, and the BOMBAY CIVIL LIST, including the Ecclesiastical establishment. Corrected to the 30th June 1864, now ready at the *Bombay Gazette* Office, 39, Medow Street, Fort.

SHIP FOR SALE.—The good Ship "ADMIRAL," formerly running as a Packet Ship between New York and Havre, 929 Tons American Register, 982 Tons English Register, 5/6 2.1 in veritas. She is in first-rate order and ready for sea. Apply to Captain SMITH on board, or to LAWRENCE & Co., Agents for Owners.

NOTICE.—Required for the service of the Bombay Marine, a quantity of Moulmain and other Timber: also a large supply of Canvas. For particulars apply before the 15th instant to

G. S. MIGNON, Captain,
Executive Commissariat Officer at the Presidency.
Bombay, Executive Comst. Office, 8th July 1864.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Goods ex ships *Dhuleep Singh* and *Morayshire*, consigned to order, landed and warehoused at the Elphinstone Bunder, are requested to take delivery forthwith as the matter of Warehouse rent is necessarily heavy.
Bombay, 11th July 1864. W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES PER SHIP "MORAYSHIRE," FROM LONDON.—It is hereby notified for the information of Consignees, that as the Ship is being materially delayed for want of Boats, all Goods for which Boats can not be obtained as they come to hand, are being landed at the most convenient Bunders, on account and risk of the concerned, and will be retained until payment of such expenses as may be incurred.
W. NICOL & Co.,
Bombay, 11th July 1864. Agents Ship *Morayshire*.

BANK OF INDIA.—Notice is hereby given, that Branches of this Bank have been opened in London under the charge of MR. R. D. PEEBLES and also in Hongkong under the charge of MR. FRANCIS ANDREWS.
By order of the Board of Directors,
11th July 1864. JOHN GRAY, Manager.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON AND CHINA.—Notice is hereby given, that a Dividend of 10 per cent. (free of Income Tax) for the half-year ended 30th June, will be paid to the Shareholders on this Register on and after 25th instant.
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to 23rd instant. By order of the Court of Directors,
Bombay, 11th July 1864. H. J. MARSDEN, Agent.

THE KATTYWAR TRADING COMPANY (LIMITED).—SECOND CALL OF Rs. 2,000 PER SHARE.—Notice is hereby given, that a Second Call of Rs. 2,000 per Share in the Kattywar Trading Company (Limited,) is payable at the Office of the undersigned on or before the 1st August 1864, after which date Interest will be charged on all overdue Calls at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum, and the Shares will be liable to forfeiture.
By order of the Board of Directors,
JAVERILAL UMIASHANKAR & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.
Bruce Lane, Bombay, 11th July 1864.

UNITED MERCANTILE COMPANY (LIMITED.)
યુનાઈટેડ મરકનટાયલ કંપની (લિમીટેડ.)
ઇજીનાઈટેડ મરકનટાયઅલ કંપની (લીમીટેડ.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Second Call of Rupees 50 per Share will be payable at this Office of the undersigned between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 P. M., on or before the 3rd August 1864, and that Interest at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum will be charged on all Calls unpaid by that date, and the Shares will be liable to forfeiture.
By order of the Directors,
EWART, LATHAM & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.
Bombay, 11th July 1864.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Partnership subsisting between us the undersigned CURSETJEE JAMSETJEE BOTTLEBHOY, JOHN CLOVER, WILLIAM WALKER CLOVER, and JOSIAH BEAZLEY, as Merchants, at Bombay under the firm of JOHN CLOVER & Co., and at Liverpool in England under the firm of J. and W. CLOVER, was this day dissolved by mutual consent.—Dated this 30th day of June 1864.
CURSETJEE JAMSETJEE BOTTLEBHOY.
JOHN CLOVER.
WILLIAM WALKER CLOVER.
JOSIAH BEAZLEY.

Referring to the above notice, the undersigned beg to intimate that the business will be continued and carried on by them in Liverpool under the style and names of CURSETJEE, CLOVER & Co., and in Bombay JOHN CLOVER & Co.

CURSETJEE JAMSETJEE BOTTLEBHOY.
JOHN CLOVER.
JOSIAH BEAZLEY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Elphinstone Land and Press Company (Limited) will be held at our Office, on MONDAY the 8th day of August 1864, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when the following Resolutions which were passed at a General Meeting of the Company held on the 9th day of July 1864, will be submitted for confirmation:—

I. That the nominal value of the shares in the Company shall henceforth be Rupees 1,000 each, and that for each A and B share in the Capital of the Company six new fully paid up shares of the nominal value of Rupees 1,000 each be issued, and that for each C share in the Capital of the Company three new fully paid up shares of the nominal value of Rupees 1,000 each and three new shares of the nominal value of Rupees 1,000 each not fully paid up be issued.

II. That Clause 32 of Table B of Act XIX. of the Legislative Council of India shall not apply and that in lieu thereof the following shall be substituted:—

No business shall be transacted at any Meeting except the declaration of a dividend unless a quorum of shareholders be present at the commencement of such business. Twenty shareholders present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum.

W. tch Office, Secretaries and Treasurers,
Elphinstone Land and Press Company (Limited.)
Bombay, 11th July 1864.

NOTICE.—We have much pleasure in informing our Indian constituents and the public that MR. CHARLES PALMER, our late representative in Bombay, and for many years connected with our London business, has this day been admitted a Partner in our House.
CUTLER & Co.
London, 44, Mark Lane, (Tower Vaults,) 30th June 1864.

With reference to the above, we beg to announce that the style of our Firm from this date will be "CUTLER, PALMER & Co." (late CUTLER & Co.,) and in making this announcement we avail ourselves of the opportunity to express our thanks to our Indian friends for the continued support they have been good enough to extend to us, from the establishment of our late Branch House in Bombay, in 1854, by our then Agent, MR. ROBERT KNIGHT, to the closing of the same in 1862, by MR. CHARLES PALMER, and continued from that time to the present, to our respected Friends, Messrs. JEJEEBHOY PALLONJEE BROTHERS of Bombay, who have entered into an arrangement with us, for an unexpired term of Three Years, to keep in their godowns a large and choice assortment of our Wines and Spirits, &c., and to whom we respectfully solicit that all orders from our Friends in Western India may be sent for execution.

In Calcutta and the N. W. Provinces, our Wines, &c., may be obtained on application to Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., of 4 Commercial Buildings, Calcutta, who have lately entered into an arrangement with us to receive our Wines, &c., on their own account.

In Madras we are for the present wholly unrepresented, and shall therefore be most glad to receive *direct* orders from that Presidency, addressed to us, as above.

We solicit for our New Firm a continuance of the favors above acknowledged, and subjoin our quotations, for all India, which include Duty, and all expenses, save transit-charges to up-country stations from either Presidency town.

Messrs. CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s
(Late CUTLER & Co.)
LIST OF WINES, SPIRITS, AND CORDIALS.

	Rs. per doz. Quarts.	Pints.
CLARETS.		
No. 1...1st growth...Black capsule	35	18
„ 2...2nd „ Blue „	30	16
„ 3...3rd „ Yellow „	26	14
„ 4...4th „ Green „	22	12
„ 5...Medoc .....Red „	18	10
Sauterne.....Red „	25	14
CHAMPAGNES.		
Nonpariel Sparkling, (Labelled as Branded).	38	20
Corks branded "CUTLER, PALMER & Co."		
Fine Sparkling (Labelled as Branded)	31	17
Corks branded "C. P. & Co."		
Good Sparkling, (Labelled as Branded).....	26	14
Corks branded "STAR."		
MOSELLE AND HOCKS.		
Nonpariel Sparkling. (So Labelled).....	38	20
Muscatel „ (So Labelled).....	31	17
Moselle, ordinary	26	14
„ Still, Braunberger	36	...
Hock „ Rudesheimer	25	...
SHERRIES.		
Amontillado, very choice and superior dry Wine	33	...
Amoroso, very choice, fine flavored, soft, pale „	30	...
Sherry, No. 1, Green seal, full-bodied, gold color	28	...
„ „ 1, Blue seal, Pale and Dry.....	28	...
„ „ 1, Brown seal, Light Gold and Dry	28	...
„ „ 2, Yellow seal, Pale.....	22	...
„ „ 3. White seal, a Dinner Wine	18	...
PORTS.		
Best quality, (an invalid's Wine,) Black seal.	28	15
Good „ Red seal	24	13
SPIRITS.		
No. 1, Old Pale Cognac, very superior.....	33	...
Black capsule. Heart-shaped label.		
„ 2, Pale Cognac, good.....	28	...
Yellow capsule. Heart-shaped label.		
„ 3, Cognac, ordinary. White capsule.....	22	...
Rum, Superior Old Jamaica, 1st quality	20	...
White capsule. Heart-shaped label.		
Gin, London Old Tom, 1st quality	20	...
White capsule. Labelled.		
Whiskey, 1st quality. Irish or Scotch	19	...
Geneva, in flasks.....	16	...
LIQUEURS.		
Curacoa, finest Amsterdam	42	22
Maraschino, superior Zara	40	21
Cherry Brandy, best Copenhagen	30	15

*** Liberal Terms to Messes, Public Companies, &c. Liberal allowances for Cash payments.

CALENDAR—JULY, 1864.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

First Quarter, Tuesday 12th ..... 8h. 42m. A. M.
Full Moon, Tuesday 19th ..... 11h. 27m. A. M.
Last Quarter, Tuesday, 26th..... 1h. 37m. A. M.

Days.	Dates.	Sundays, Festivals, &c.	San rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water Bombay Harbour. Morn	Even	Evening Grass Fire.
			h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Tues.	12	Mars sets at 0h.57m.	5 31	6 40	3 56	3 34	
Wed.	13	Jupiter rises at 1-56	5 31	6 39	5 0	4 23	
Thur.	14	Jupiter sets at 1-12.	5 32	6 39	6 3	6 37	
Fri.	15	St. Swithin.	5 32	6 39	7 11	7 47	
Sat.	16	Saturn rises at 11.14.	5 33	6 39	8 20	8 49	
Sun.	17	8th Sunday after Trinity.	5 33	6 39	9 17	9 43	9th July 1864.
Mon.	18	Saturn sets at 11.2.	5 33	6 39	10 8	10 31	Time—8h. 0m. 54s.

POSTAL NOTICES.

CHINA MAIL.

The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's Steamer will be closed on WEDNESDAY the 13th instant at 2 P. M. A packet for late letters will be kept open, on payment of the usual fee, until 7 A. M. on the 14th idem. An Australian Mail will be despatched direct by this opportunity.

LATEST DATES RECEIVED.

ADEN	July 3	KURRACHEE	July 2
AGRA	June 28	LAHORE	July 2
ALLAHABAD	July 5	LONDON	June 18
AUSTRALIA	May 15	MAURITIUS	June 6
ALEXANDRIA	June 26	MADRAS	July 5
BANGALORE	July 5	MALTA	June 23
CALCUTTA	July 4	MEERUT	July 5
CAPE	April 30	OUDH	July 2
CEYLON	July 1	PUNJAUB	May 11
COCHIN	June 18	PENANG	June 10
DELHI	July 5	RANGOON	May 10
FRANCE	June 19	SUEZ	June 27
HONGKONG	June 13	SINGAPORE	June 26

The Bombay Gazette.

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1864.

PRIVATE letters from America inform us that General Grant's army had, before its final repulse on the line of the Chickahominy, lost 50,000 men killed and wounded, one-fourth of its strength, during a brief campaign of about thirty days. And what results have been achieved by means of this reckless expenditure of human life? How much nearer are the Federals to attaining their great object, the capture of Richmond, than they were at the beginning of the war? Telegrams from New York that Grant is within twenty miles of the rebel capital look very well on paper; but, when the important fact is added that between him and that capital there still remains unbroken, defiant, confident, and stronger than ever it was before, the Confederate army, commanded by the most skilful general in America, and having its position protected by fortifications much more "impregnable" than those which the Federals dared not assail on the South Anna, and than those which they ventured to assail only to be repulsed with terrible slaughter on the Chickahominy,—it becomes manifest that for all practical purposes of progress General Grant might as well have his head-quarters at Washington as on the James River. It is rarely that we in Bombay learn what the Southern papers have to say of the military operations in Virginia, and we therefore gladly seize an opportunity presented to us of quoting from the *Richmond Examiner* of the 28th May the Confederate estimate of the Federal Commander-in-Chief's generalship:—

"Grant has definitely declined battle at Hanover Junction on the South Anna river. Perhaps we should say that his army has saved him the trouble of declining it. It is certain that both armies are once more moving. Two stories have lately prevailed of the direction in which Grant is going. One account represented a large body of Yankees at Negro Foot in the upper part of Hanover, but it has not been confirmed and is unlikely. The more probable statement is that Grant put fortifications along his line before the Junction to prevent an attack from General Lee, and then withdrew from the northern bank of the North Anna, passed down the Pamunkey to Hanovertown, a few miles above the Piping Tree—the point to which boats can come. Here he is said to have crossed the river with the greater part of his force. Hanovertown is sixteen miles from Richmond. If Grant has really landed there, he may be said to have already reached the destination predicted for him since his check at Spottsylvania—the York and the Peninsula. His next base will be the Pamunkey and York, the White House and West Point.

"Then his whole campaign up to this moment has been a defeat, its plan a failure, and he is compelled to adopt the derided scheme of McClellan instead of it. He might have come to West Point in a day's sailing from Washington. He might have set down his army there without having one hair on the head of any one man in it disturbed, and he might have brought it from the line of the Rapidan to the Chickahominy and our fortifications without wasting a cartridge on him. But neither Grant nor his government would touch McClellan's plan. It had been tried and had failed; besides, it was McClellan's. So they imagined another, after their own hearts. They would attack Lee at Mine Run, far from his base, and destroy him there. Failing in this they would fight him till his army was wrecked, and then push the fragments from them clean down to Washington. They would then approach the city, not from the river, but from Hanover Junction, keeping the Central and Fredericksburg railroads always in their possession, supplying themselves thereby, to a position on the north of the city. Here they believed their army could not be flanked, as McClellan's was, by some Jackson coming out of the West through the gates of Gordonsville. But their plan failed on the 12th of May. On that day the question, whether they could beat Lee in the field and put him into a disastrous retreat, was for ever settled. Twice within eight days Grant endeavored to renew the assault, without the ability to bring up his columns. Unable to remove the obstacle on the threshhold of his proposed campaign, nothing was left but to abandon it and make his way down the valley of the Rappahannock to the head waters of the York, a monstrous circuit to reach a point where he might have landed on the 1st May, had not his head been addled by his victories over Pembertonand Bragg. Once, it is true, he turned aside to Hanover Junction, but found only a repetition of Spottsylvania Court House in readiness there.

"Now, we suppose, we may have another decisive battle of Cold Harbour, unless General Grant has become so much enamored with his left flank that he will continue it from the York to the James and form a junction with Butler. If he does so we may have a long summer day. Perhaps he will dig parallels and come to the city with the zig-zag. Perhaps he thinks himself back at Vicksburg. It is true, we believe, that the officer who surrendered Vicksburg has lately been placed, with a modest title, in high command at Richmond. It is also true that the Fourth of July is not afar off. But Lee and Beauregard are also close at hand, and Richmond will never be circumvallated."

The accuracy of this criticism has, it will be observed, been fully confirmed by the subsequent operations of the Federal army. No higher tribute could be paid to the soundness of McClellan's military judgment than the confession which Grant, after boasting that he would force his way to Richmond by hard fighting if it took him all summer to do it, has been compelled to make, that the Federals' only chance of success lies in making the James River the base of operations for an advance against the capital. The only result of the enormous efforts made by the North to crush Lee's army is that Grant, after fighting half a dozen unsuccessful battles and making at least as many "successful flank marches," has settled down into the position occupied by McClellan after the Seven Days, with a beaten and it is to be presumed dispirited army and with the loss of his own military reputation. From the map it will be seen that the Federal army has in its flank movements described almost a semicircle round Richmond, having begun the advance from the north-west and being now compelled to operate from the south-east. Flanking of this sort, which only at last brings the army to a spot which it might have reached by ships from Washington without the loss of a man, and still leaves the great issue untried, becomes simply ridiculous. Plainly, Lee, reinforced as he now is by Beauregard and Breckenridge, has nothing to fear from the combined attack of two generals who have so conspicuously failed in their campaigns as Grant and Butler; and we anticipate a speedy close to the conflict, since it will be more injurious to the cause of the North for their grand army to be doing nothing for months before Richmond, than to "set their fortunes on a cast," and "stand the hazard of the die." Nor shall we be surprised to hear soon of Sherman's hazardous march into Georgia having been brought to a sudden and fatal termination, for his communications are already broken by Forrest's success in Tennessee, and he will have to fight a doubtful battle in an enemy's country without hope of reinforcements.

THE Madras Chamber of Commerce has just issued a Report of its proceedings for the year ending the 31st December 1863. We think it would have been far better for it to have let well alone by prohibiting its Secretary giving such publicity to its insignificance. We cannot say that we are at all surprised at the exceeding impertinence expressed in the Report, neither are we astonished at the confident tone therein evinced. Those who have paid the slightest attention to matters and events occurring in the Madras Presidency do not require to be told that the Madrassees are proud of [illegible] chief's trade, and their stinks; and [illegible] limitation in avoiding [illegible] everything's cr[illegible]

on the other side of the Peninsula have become almost unbearable. We do not make these remarks in any spirit of self-laudation, but we conceive the Madrassees require their views on an infinity of subjects to be considerably enlarged, and we would accordingly invite a temporary residence in the Western Metropolis as likely to prove conducive to that object.

To return to the Report, we repeat we think the Chamber would have studied its own interests and that of the mercantile community whom it represents much better if it had abstained from publishing its proceedings. We were going to add also, its dignity, but we refrain. The volume before us contains 131 pages, and with one exception, which is probably a mistake of the annotator, the printing is unexceptionable. It commences with an apology for the few subjects of public interest with which the Chamber has had to deal during the year 1863, and administers a telling rebuke to the Madras Government for so seldom referring to it for advice in the administration of the business of the Presidency; but, as ungrateful for future favours, highly eulogises the liberal policy of the Government of India, of which it is to be hoped that Government is duly sensible. Among other things we learn with extreme wonder that the "monetary resources" of the Presidency were drained away for the relief of the Bombay money market, and that business in consequence was almost at a stand-still. We are much relieved, however, to learn that the drainage did not produce any "commercial embarrassments." We are told that the shipments of cotton from all ports in the Presidency during the year amounted to 692,309 cwts. against 507,373 cwts. in 1862, 377,189 cwts. in 1861, 221,321 cwts. in 1860, and 282,793 cwts. in 1859. We stand aghast at this array of figures so prominently put forward, but we think the Chamber might have published a Table showing the actual exports during every month in the year. We beg to throw out this suggestion for its consideration in case it determines on issuing a "second edition." We doubt not that the Manchester Cotton Supply Association would be deeply grateful for these valuable statistics, although their Madras agents have probably placed them in possession of them some six to 18 months ago.

The cotton prizes seem to have been a failure, the only competitors being Messrs. Fischer and Co. of Salem, who won the prize for Rs. 10,000 in 1862. We heartily sympathise with the Chamber in the lamentable failure of its suggestive powers, inasmuch as it felt itself unable to offer any further suggestions to the various Governments for making the prizes more popular, and we would suggest each individual member addressing the Secretary of State and detailing in the most powerful and grandiloquent language at his command the reticence and indifference displayed by Sir William Denison and his Council in the matter. It is pleasing to find that the Chamber, following the custom of certain excellent religious Societies, places upon record its sense of its own unworthiness. We say this with all sincerity; we should be sorry indeed to speak in disparaging terms of such a highly commendable feeling.

We next turn to the cotton weavers. It will be fresh in the memory of all, how handsomely certain of our fellow townsmen stepped forward and subscribed Rs. 80,000 towards the relief of the Conjeeveram destitutes. This act of munificence seems to have roused the Madras Chamber, for we find they instituted enquiries with the view of ascertaining the actual extent of the distress and the best means of relieving it. After a long and protracted correspondence with numerous officials the Chamber came to the conclusion that the distress was not sufficiently severe to justify its appealing to the *public* for assistance; and so the matter dropped. Our experience of the Madras Chamber does not *justify* us in according to it that best of all virtues—*charity*. We gather from a perusal of the various papers published in the appendix that there was great destitution and a decided scarcity of both food and raiment. We should like to know what has become of our eighty thousand rupees, concerning the disposal of which the Report is silent.

We now come to the correspondence connected with the issue and disposal of Treasury Bills. We cannot but detect in the whole of this dispute a feeling that the Chamber as a body did not work harmoniously. It strikes us that this is a great deal more a private than a party question, and consequently ought never to have appeared on the records of the Chamber at all. It would seem that the Messrs. Arbuthnot were the originators of the disturbance. According to the Accountant General, Government for years past had been in the habit of supplying certain Madras firms with funds gratis, for the working of their up country factories. The Accountant General detecting, as any shrewd man of business naturally would do, that if the money was really wanted the firms in question could afford to pay a premium for it, charged such premium which he fixed by a system of tendering. Nothing could have been fairer, but this gave dire offence, and hence all the correspondence. The Government order is much to the point. It runs: "on full consideration of the arguments urged by the Chamber of Commerce in their Vice Chairman's letter of the 28th ultimo and of the explanation furnished by the Accountant General, the Governor in Council sees no sufficient reason for altering the system followed by that officer in dealing with tenders on the mofussil Treasuries." And again, in answer to the Chamber's request that the matter might be referred to Bengal, "The Governor in Council is not prepared to reopen the general question as to the course to be observed by the Accountant General in granting Bills on the Mofussil Treasuries, nor does he see any necessity for making a reference to the Government of India as suggested by the Chamber of Commerce."

On the 30th January the acting Accountant General to the Madras Government addressed the Chamber and requested information as to the working of the currency scheme. The chief points of enquiry were first: If the absence of the expression of the value of currency notes in the vernacular had interfered with their currency and acceptance; secondly, the opinion of the Chamber was sought as to the relative advantages of having an uniform note for all India, or of a special note for each large circle of issue. From the nature of Mr. Crake's (the Chairman's) reply we are not at all astonished that communications between the Chamber and the local Government should be of such rare occurrence. We observe that under that gentleman's inspiration "the Chamber is disposed to recommend the adoption of such a form of note in each Presidency as shall render them readily recognisable by all classes amongst whom they circulate." We must pause here to ask Mr. Crake and the Madras Chamber of Commerce if they suppose that Mr. Wilson and Mr. Laing came out to India with the express and deliberate intention of introducing currency notes which the natives of India would not be able to decipher?

After some remarks on the working of the Telegraph and on a few local matters of minor interest the Report winds up. We cannot congratulate Madras on this painful exhibition of its condition, and would fain hope that the Madras merchants are wiser than they seem, as recorded in their Chamber's Annual Report.

CENTRAL PROVINCES.

XXI.

WILL the Central Provinces ever become a cotton district? is a question agitating many classes here and elsewhere. Will capitalists embark their money on so doubtful a subject in the present state of affairs? I am afraid not. That these provinces can produce cotton to a great extent we are aware of, for since the failure of the American supply the exports have been so great that a continual supply has been sent to your port, and this without enlarging greatly the cultivation here. The actual outturn last year was thirty seven millions of lbs., of this twenty-seven millions of lbs. was exported; greater than any thing of the kind known before; there is moreover a quantity of 3,225,636 lbs. still awaiting export so soon as the roads shall be open after the monsoon. In the cold season of 1862-63 the Chief Commissioner sent circulars to all the district officers, directing them to warn the native traders that the news from Europe foreboded a continued dearth of [illegible] needed to [illegible] quantities [illegible] of India.

[illegible] only throwing dust in people's eyes and [illegible] Government work done, but in a [illegible] [illegible] Suppose [illegible] [illegible] Some one Governor General knows well enough to be the fact, that it can do its own work itself at a cheaper rate, raise a loan exclusively for public works, push them on, make the country productive and penetrable, and then we shall soon see plenty of private enterprize coming in to take advantage of the change. Land and water transit would soon make their appearance, factories would multiply to the palpable benefit of the country; every terminus of railroad or navigation line would soon show its stores and depots, and well clad European merchants would congregate where now a solitary Bunnya in a bit of string and a dish clout constitutes the whole commercial population.

I have just received the Chief Commissioner's remarks on the Revenue report for the year 1863-64, and considering that Mr. Morris, duly joined his appointment of Settlement Commissioner in September last, the work performed is highly creditable to all concerned. The following aggregate of work has been done:—

The demarkation of village boundaries has been done in 5,575 villages.

The field measurement has been made in 2,411 villages. The inspection paparatory to assessment has been done in 6,639 villages. The assessment of the Revenue has been announced in 8,621 villages, at a total annual revenue of 21½ lakhs of rupees.

The adjustments of rents and the attestation of the rent rolls have been done in upwards of 4,000 villages. The preparation of the final record of rights and of the administration papers has been made in 5 districts. The number of boundary disputes judicially decided during the year is 638. The number of Revenue free tenures investigated is 15,580. The number of proprietory right cases decided—which number apparently embraces the tenures of an almost equal number of villages—is 11, 596. The number of appeals decided by the settlement officers is 1,145 and by the Settlement Commissioner 621. The demarkation of excess waste lands available for disposal has been advanced in five districts. The above resume of operations the Chief Commissioner states, "extending over fourteen districts within the year, exhibits a creditable outturn, and, on the whole, your department may be congratulated thereon." The main feature in the returns of the year is, no doubt, the great progress made with the assessment of the Land Tax. Two years ago, this was the chief point of backwardness. The net financial result has shown an increase of Rs. 1,12,749 or 5½ per cent. Considering that reductions had to be granted in several districts, the above net is satisfactory. Considering that the prices of most kind of agricultural produce have risen so much lately, thereby adding largely to the income of the Land Tax payers, some increase in the Land Tax was to be expected. Mr. Temple believes that the previous undue fixity of rents; the doubt as to whether the rise of prices which came about so suddenly will be really permanent; the quantity of available land as compared with the husbandmen, which makes tenants objects of competition among landlords, have all contributed to prevent the tax-paying proprietors from raising the rents on their tenants as much as they otherwise would. Again, although the cultivators now receive much more than they did for the produce they have to sell, yet they have to pay much more than they used for every thing they have to buy from others, especially bullocks, farm cattle, clothes, and all domestic articles, and consequently would not be able to pay enhanced rents in proportion to the increased prices of produce. Moreover, the Settlement Commissioner remarks, "that in no province of India has the Land Tax increased proportionately to the general growth of prosperity in the country; and that the actual increase which may have occurred has usually arisen, either from resumptions, or from waste lands brought under cultivation and thence under taxation." In conclusion Mr. Temple thus notices the services of the Settlement Commissioner and of the officers in his department:—"I further express to you my acknowledgment of the efficiency with which you have directed the varied operations, since you joined your post in September last, and of the ability and experience which you have brought to the discharge of your very important duties. No department under this administration has done better than yours, and there is every ground for confidence that, under your care, the work will be well, and thoroughly done, so as on the one hand to guard the interests of the State, and on the other to ensure the contentment and satisfaction of the people. Every officer, from the highest to the lowest, engaged in this work, should remember that of all measures that can be undertaken in the interests of the people this is the most important. It will constitute the basis of all prosperity, and the starting point for all improvement. If it be well done, then upon it a multitude of other improvements can be grafted. If it were badly done, then there would be an element of failure in almost every other measure that might be attempted. Mr. Temple is, however, confident that under your auspices the Settlement will be carried out in a manner which shall prove worthy of the great future which promises to await these Provinces."

FOREST RANGER.

THE *Mofussilite* hears that Colonel Douglas, the Director General of Electric Telegraphs in India, is about to proceed to England, on leave.

THE *Delhi Gazette*:—"Good news for the Locals! All Staff Corps Lieutenant-Colonels are to be removed from their *cadre* on promotion, thus giving the step in their respective regiments."

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

(By Electric Telegraph.)

MADRAS, 9TH JULY.

Steamer *Nada* sailed for Bombay.

MADRAS, 11TH JULY.

Steamer *Orissa* from Calcutta and Northern Ports anchored.

GALLE, 11TH JULY.

Steamer *Tiger* from China anchored.

HOME LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, 18TH JUNE.

UNAVOIDABLE absence prevented my writing to you by the last mail, but then I took [illegible] there was nothing of moment to have communicated to you, nor has a fortnight made much difference in the state of affairs any where. The Conference still adjourns and debates, debates and adjourns, and decides nothing; and we await with great anxiety the news from America, which to-morrow's steamer, if it come in, may bring us, and perhaps take out to you by telegram after the mail letters have been despatched. In regard to the Conference this week's 'Punch' sums up all that has been done in a characteristic picture of Tenniel's—Lord John as a pompous beadle stands at the workhouse door, holding close to his heart the larger half of a loaf, the other half of which he proffers to the King of Denmark, who with arm in sling, ragged and starved, turns away from it with disgust. Half a loaf is better than no bread, says Lord John; but this does not satisfy the King. This is precisely the state of the affair. Holstein, gone irretrievably, is never mentioned now; the dispute is in regard to the partition of Schleswig, and the line of frontier which Denmark is asked to accept. Abandoning Holstein, Denmark would be content with Schleswig entire, but unfortunately a proportion of South Schleswig is German who desire to be incorporated with Germany, and this party is supported by the invading powers as well as by the Germanic Confederation, which indeed considers the whole of Schleswig as already German by conquest, and will be content with nothing short of it; thinking all discussion so much waste time and altogether beyond the question. But the northern part of Schleswig is unmistakeably Danish, and between the two is a mixed population among whom it is difficult to draw a line at all. Lord John's offering the smallest half of the loaf to Denmark is not therefore without signification. But were ever diplomacy to effect an ideal line of frontier either as regards language or position, is it at all certain that Denmark would accept it? By no means, as far as the public understand, would it be content to submit to any such dismemberment. The whole loaf or none is the cry, and the Copenhagen press, which it is stated is the exponent of national feeling, disdains to agree and looks upon the resumption of hostilities as certain. What then if in the ensuing fortnight there is nothing settled by the Conference, who are to go to war? That is the question of most moment, not what becomes of Schleswig or its portions, or whether the line of the Dannewerke or any other line is to become a frontier, or whether even Jutland is to be conquered and [illegible] Germans as the strongest party, with their power of screwing out of the people all the [illegible] losses which may be inflicted by the D[illegible] as sea upon German subjects. The question [illegible] is to go to war. The Danish press urges the [illegible] of support from the revolutionary elements of Europe, if England and Sweden will not join her, and even of accepting Garibaldi's offer; what that may have been precisely I do not recollect, but in both of these the Danes would, I fear, find broken reeds. England may offer Denmark assistance on certain conditions, that is in regard to the demarcation of a new frontier, but if Denmark steadily refuses all diminution of territory she must break with England on this point and become isolated; will then Sweden join her? No one can tell. The Swedish fleet has been reviewed, but that may go for nothing. Our own fleet has been re-assembled and is also ready for sea, so it was before and nothing came of it but the Conference which seems so far to have been a very thankless piece of business. France appears to be perfectly immoveable in every way, and having committed herself to no line of policy, is free to act or not as she pleases. It is true that we also can withdraw on the ground that the Danes are obstinate and will not take advice and our mediation does harm, but there is a certain reticence in this which does not seem to suit the will of the country, and it is very difficult to say which way the question of peace or war would tend were it to be a subject of prominent discussion in Parliament to-morrow. It is on this point the Conservatives are doubtful. Were there a decided war party among them, or one in the nation to which they could appeal with a certain hope of being supported, it is most probable we should hear of the proposition of a vote of no confidence at once, but a good deal of the cry of wolf is going on and we can hardly yet separate the true from the counterfeit. If the Conservatives were able to do it I do not doubt their will to attempt to displace the Whigs by a "coup" on the Dano-Germanic question, but I doubt their power or their consistency among themselves. Only three days ago and in the latter part of last week there were hot rumours amounting indeed to assertions that the "coup" was to be attempted immediately, but I observe that there is again silence whether in preparation for the blow or the mustering of forces it is impossible to say: we shall soon see perhaps. I do not think it will be possible to keep the Conference alive much longer, and to-morrow's may prove its last sitting. Every one is tired of its inaction, but whenever it does break up, that is supposing nothing can be done, it will have been of use in obtaining distinct declarations of opinion from all who meet in it which may be of use hereafter. Our statesman can no longer urge ignorance of motives as an excuse for non-interference; nor indeed can there be any question of delay in deciding whether Denmark is to be supported or not. I question whether Her Majesty will accept willingly the alternative of war against Germany, her predilections are too notorious to be concealed or disavowed by any one: but there is this to be said, that if Lord Palmerston and the Cabinet go in this war the Queen would gain nothing by opposition, seeing that a Conservative Cabinet would go into office with a declared war policy.

You will see that this therefore is a more anxious time than that before the Conference, and one on which speculations are as uncertain as risks upon the Derby, or the Grand Prix at Paris. I can only attract your notice to them and prepare you for some changes from inaction to action of some kind, though of what description time and circumstances can alone show; as I have said, supposing the Conference meets and breaks up for good on Saturday, you may hear of the probable events of the week's end long by telegram, along with the news from America. But with all the bluster on both sides, which is allowable, there are many who think there will be no more fighting, and that the great powers will be ashamed to begin again upon a State so weak as Denmark from which no military glory is to be obtained, and certainly little else. I do not suppose either ourselves or France would allow her to be annihilated, and short of this she cannot be much beaten with her principal possessions wrested from her.

The fortnight I could not write to you was that of the news of the battles in Virginia between Grant and Lee from the Wilderness to Spottsylvania Courthouse, the position which was too strong to be attempted with the certain sacrifice of another 15 or 20,000 men without result. Had it been attempted, Lee would only have fallen back on his positions on the North and South Anna, to which indeed he returned voluntarily a few days after, and was followed there by Grant who made a flank march to Hanover, in which he was not disturbed. Grant has not acted up to his boast to the Secretary at War that he would "keep that road," the upper one, all the summer, and it would have been clearly impossible for him to have taken in time every series of lines between Spottsylvania and the capital. The question is, however, has he done any better by changing the base of his operations? He is between McClellan and [illegible] with the same basis of support, and with [illegible] On the other hand, he has larger forces to oppose him, and better selected and more perfect lines of defence: and all that can be said about either is that we stand where we started. Grant has got into low ground, and is by the swamps of the Chickahominy, so fatal before: he is ten miles only from Richmond, but McClellan was once nearer yet was defeated. To me and to all others the price of gold in New York is the true touchstone of all these transactions; the last quotations are 192½ to 195, and so long as they remain at that, there is little dependence to be placed upon victory, or the consequences of victory among the Federal people. It is useless to ask if Richmond be taken, will the war end? Richmond has to be taken at what cost we know not before either side can think upon its next movement, and Mr. Davis has told us that war can be protracted in Virginia alone for 20 years. I think myself it would be nearer an end, were the Federals defeated and forced to retire from the Peninsula. The offices of France and England might then be offered to arrange a basis of settlement, and surely some remonstrance would be made against further effusion of blood.

Apropos of America, Manhattan's, novel "Mrion" has arrived and has already exhausted one edition: as we have always heard that American ladies were vastly squeamish as to terms which might be thought indelicate—*legs* of pianofortes or mutton, and so forth, and once in an Italian steamer I heard an American lady describing sea sickness declare she had a pain "in—in—in that place under my heart which I cannot name," but nous avons changé tous cela, and if "Marion" may be considered as a specimen of the conversations and moralities of the upper ten thousand of Yankeedom, things are known and called by very free names indeed, and the glance we have been admitted to shows us a state of things not enviable, but which may be analogous to passages of French society before and during the resolution. Be the picture as it may true or false, no one that I can learn has denied it in America. Manhattan is one of the literary lions of the day, and we may presume that Yankeedom is supremely indifferent to the criticisms of European society. It is said that the strong points of "Marion" were considerably toned down for the first English editions; if so it would be curious to see the work in its original state for American circulation.

A good deal of wholesome discussion is going on as to the pay of the soldiery and the feasibility of increase at the soldier's renewal of his ten years' contract. It is sure to end in good, and the very liberal view of it taken by the *Times* is encouraging.

PARIS LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PARIS, 18TH JUNE.

OF course a good deal of attention is centred in the London Conference. When that breaks up then people

in others. Two of the chief leaders, both Marabouts, have been killed at the head of their irregular forces in attacks upon the French columns. The French have nearly twice the number of troops in the colony which they had in the time of the Emir Abd-el-Kader. They continue sending more men, and are anxious about Tunis where the Bey is set at naught by his subjects who decline over taxation :—

"They laugh—tax 'em."

On this principle the grave Arab should be let alone. Mahomet was averse to personal taxation—vide Koran.

When I last wrote the poisoner Conty de la Pommerais was in prison seeking to escape death through means of the Court of Cassation. This Court rejected the appeal of the unhappy man. His last chance was in mercy from the Emperor, but his Majesty could only listen to the advice of his Council who urged that if La Pommerais was spared there could be no more punishment by death. Thirty thousand workmen signed a petition against this punishment being continued. A female relative of the culprit saw the Empress, who wept, and notwithstanding all this La Pommerais has had his head cut off and the day before yesterday his mortal remains were removed to be buried in his native village. His wife had done all she could to procure his pardon in spite of his proved infidelity to the nuptial couch. She appealed to one of the Judges who told her she should have but little sympathy with the condemned; "You were to have been the next victim" added he.

Within three days after rejection by Court of Cassation execution should take place in front of La Roguette prison. For three nights all available space was occupied by a noisy crowd—young men and women dressed after their profession and who were hooted by the "bouses" till a fight ensued. In the mean time the victim was lying bound in prison and in ignorance of his fate. The night before his execution he had asked for "consomme," a broth from the Cafe Anglais, and the messenger who fetched it heard numerous swells ordering their supper that they might be in time to see La Pommerais' head fall.

On the 9th the extreme sentence of the law was carried into effect. All night long men had worked by torchlight to erect the guillotine, and M. de Paris and M. de Versailles had examined the fatal instrument and tested the blade which was found to work easily in the grooves. You must know that the executioners are always called after the name of the town over which they preside Damocles-like. For years and years Paris was beheaded by the Sansons, and the last of that family wrote the memoirs of his predecessors in several octavo volumes. When the last Sanson resigned 2,000 applications were made for the office which is worth about £800 a year. Many of these came from medical man. The man chosen resides in the high street of a small village. Over the door of his house are two lions rampant. His name is P. ——, but as his friends know nothing of his calling, it would be unfair to divulge what was communicated in confidence. Many persons think the guillotine an invention of Dr. Guillotin perfected by Louis XVI. Let such read Scott's novel of the Abbot and there he will find mention made of a similar instrument in the time of Queen Mary. This instrument was called the maiden. Dr. Guillotin's machine was named after his daughter La Guillotine. When daylight broke all the preparations had been completed to terminate the tragedy. At 5-30 the chaplain and director of the prison entered the condemned cell and told the prisoner that his last hour was come; he was half asleep but got up directly and said he was ready. The chaplain fell into La Pommerais' arms. M. Claude, chief of the secret police, asked him if he had any revelations to make. He answered no: when the toilette had been made and the strait waistcoat exchanged for a white shirt he asked the Abbe to give a lock of his hair to his wife, and then refused to speak more. When offered refreshment or wine he merely shook his head. At the foot of the Guillotine he kissed the crucifix, though a couple of days before he had said religion was only intended for children: he then mounted the steps firmly. He was dressed with care, in black trousers and varnished boots. He gave himself over directly to the executioners, and in less than a minute the heavy knife fell with a lightning motion and dull sound. Few persons saw the head fall as a zinc curtain hid it from those in front. In country executions this is not so, but the head may be seen to fall into the basket. In all cases the machine does not do its work as it did on La Pommerais. At an execution at Chalons sur Sonne the blade had to be raised and let down three times. This reminds one of La Challais' execution for conspiring against Richelieu. The executioner chopped at poor La Challais some twenty times before he hacked his head off. La Pommerais' execution created an immense excitement here and [illegible] prayer criers. The great argum[illegible]se in favour of continuing death [illegible] that criminal know the cold-b[illegible]oral from hesitating their hea[illegible] recoil before crimes [illegible] visited with the [illegible] of the affairs of [illegible]mbles on [illegible] compared with th[illegible]issue on the 2nd July.

Heads of Liabilities.	2nd July.	9th July.
Proprietors' Capital...	Rs. 1,01,50,000	Rs. 1,01,50,000
General Treasury Balance...	" 67,86,419	" 78,06,834
Deposits at Head Office.....	" 3,29,00,709	" 3,58,53,290
Do. at Branches	" 34,78,727	" 35,09,270
Bank's Notes and Bills outstanding	" 3,01,793	" 3,05,320
Rest	" 17,68,405	" 7,38,108
Sundries.....	" 4,36,988	" 12,35,167
	" 5,61,46,042	" 5,99,49,049
Assets.		
Loans at Head Office and Branches	Rs. 45,38,582	Rs. 42,02,842
Credit Accounts at Do. Do.	" 28,04,416	" 38,20,751
Bills Discounted at Do. Do	" 1,19,83,009	" 1,17,70,203
Head Stock	" 6,56,399	" 6,56,559
Stamps	" 12,670	" 12,680
Balances with Agents.....	" 25,11,490	" 41,23,391
Sundries.....	" 6,81,869	" 26,08,477
Government Securities Cash...	" 27,86,419	" 38,96,834
Cash and Currency Notes at Head Office	" 2,56,31,100	" 2,55,27,569
Do. Do. Branches.	" 45,35,187	" 35,10,752
	" 5,61,46,042	" 5,99,49,049

NEWS-LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, 6TH JULY.

We are sadly in want of rain here, but though there is every appearance of it it keeps off.

Cholera which showed itself for a short period the other day I am glad to say has departed.

The lines of the 13th Regiment N. I. are now all covered in, and reflect much credit on their Commandant for the admirable way in which they are constructed, when thoroughly finished they will be equal if not superior to any native lines.

The Gymkhana opened the other day and bids fair promise of much amusement during the rains.

BOMBAY.

MAILS for Bushire, Bunder Abbas and Muscat, per Steamer *Comoria*, will be closed to-morrow, the 13th instant, at 2 P. M.

WE hear that Government has commissioned Mr. Hastings to prepare designs for the New Exchange about to be erected in Bombay, &c. &c. &c.

IT is stated that the trains on the G. I. P. Railway line from Poona to Sholapore will run without stoppage at the recently broken bridge at Gorlee by the end of this month.

WE learn that Mr. W. H. Newnham will be appointed as acting Assistant Judge and Session Judge of Poona in room of Mr. F. D. Melville, transferred to Canara.

As the Educational conference is over Sir Alexander Grant, Bart., the acting Director of Public Instruction, who is now at Poona, is expected to arrive in Bombay in a day or two.

THE *Queen of England*, Captain Goodwin, which sailed from Colombo on the 15th of November last for London, has not since been heard of.

THE ship *Tiverton*, Smith, from London to Bombay, was in collision June 6th with the *Anna*, but proceeded without apparent damage.

THE barque *Ludwig*, from Gottenburg to Bombay, has been totally lost with all hands. The wreck has drifted ashore on the Wiernmer Baitengronden and part of the cargo (iron) has been saved.

RAMSEY DAVIDSON, master of the ship *Splyza*, of London, was recently charged by his owner with drunkenness and general neglect of duty while on a voyage from Bombay and Kurrachee to Marseilles. The Board of Trade considered the charges fully proved, and adjudged his certificate of competency to be cancelled.

THE ship *East London*, from Rangoon to England, was abandoned May 15th in lat. 17 in. long. 40 W. Crew saved. She was set on fire as she lay on the track of other vessels. A large vessel on fire was seen May 1st at 1 A. M.; at dawn she disappeared and nothing could be seen but large quantities of teak floating about.

THE *Alabama*, Confederate cruiser, arrived off Cherbourg 12th June, and after being duly authorised she landed 40 prisoners. She needs large repairs; which the captain has asked permission to have done at Cherbourg, and having obtained free pratique has entered that port.

"KHILJEE ODOWJEE."—The *Middlesex*, from Calcutta, arrived at London, reports having spoken the above iron ship bound from Bombay to Liverpool, in lat. 36 S. long. 22 E. with loss of spars and sails, fore and mainmast heads sprung, decks swept, &c. and making seven inches per hour in fore-compartment, and one inch per hour in main-compartment; having encountered a severe hurricane March 1st lat. 15 S. long. 76 E. The *Middlesex* supplied her with some stores in order to take her to St. Helena.

THE *Rangoon* (s) will probably bring up the next Calcutta mail from Suez to Galle; and as the news expected by her will probably be the most important that we have received this year, it is to be hoped that the telegraphic authorities will use every exertion to keep the line in perfect working order and not announce the steamer's arrival and allow two days to pass before any messages are received. The *Rangoon* is expected at Galle on the 20th instant.

THE ESPLANADE MURDER.—The evidence of Acher Ali, Native Commandant of the Bombay Police Force, was taken yesterday by Mr. Oliver in this case, after which His Worship proceeded to inspect the premises where the murder was committed.

FROM our advertising columns we observe that a Branch of the Bank of India has been opened in Hongkong under the charge of Mr. Francis Andrews. We understand that Mr. Andrews have been for some years in the service of the Agra and United Service Bank in China.

WITH or without a Municipality, it may safely be said our roads all over the Island were never in a much worse state than now. There is one little bit at the entrance to Grant Buildings deserving the attention of the powers that be. It is very provocative of ill-temper, and trying to springs.

MR. CHARLES PALMER, for a long time agent in Bombay for Cutler and Co.'s wines, has, we perceive, been admitted a partner in that firm. From a notice in our advertising columns it will be seen the establishment has lost none of its enterprise, and the firm of Cutler & Co. will doubtless lose none of its popularity from its nearer association with Mr. Palmer.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Two Parsee boys were found drowned on the afternoon of Sunday last in a trench near the Ramparts. It appears that one of them first jumped into the water for the purpose of taking out a ball with which they were playing, his companion on hearing him cry out went in to assist him, but they both grappled with each other and sank to rise no more alive. A Coroner's Jury was empanelled yesterday on view of the bodies of these unfortunate lads when a verdict of accidental death was returned.

MR. RICHARDSON, THE JUDGE AND SESSION JUDGE OF AHMEDNUGGUR.—We understand that the Judges of the High Court have forwarded to Government the explanation of this functionary with their opinion on it. The Judges, we are informed, have wholly exonerated Mr. Richardson from the several charges which were preferred against him by his Sheristadar, but strongly complain of Mr. Souter, the then Superintendent of Police at Ahmednuggur and Mr. Ramchunder Amrit Dagle, the Deputy Magistrate. In respect to the latter officer, we are informed that the Judges have strongly urged upon Government to dismiss him from the service.

A MYSTERIOUS CASE.—Some days ago a native lad in the service of a European named Ruby, a carpenter in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway Company, was brought to the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhay Hospital, who it was alleged saidhad been thrown out of a window of his master's residence at Byculla and was believed to be seriously injured; but upon being examined he was immediately afterwards discharged, there being no injuries on his person which seemed to require any but the most simple treament. On Saturday or Sunday last the lad was again brought to the hospital—this time in a dying state, and he shortly afterwards breathed his last, but not a we are informed without stating to one of the hospitl attendants that he was not thrown out of the window but that being terrified by some one who threatened t beat him severely, he had himself jumped out of thewindow. An Inquest was yesterday held on the body of the deceased lad; but we have not heard the resu. of the enquiry.

BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.—The monthly Meetig of the Society will be held in its Library Rooms o Thursday, the 14th instant, at 4 P. M.

There will be a ballt for the election of George Sanderson Lynch, Esq., Scritor; James S. E. Manley, Esq., Municipal Commissioner; and T. C. Hayllar, Esq., Barrister-at-Law; who are been duly proposed and seconded as Members o the Society.

The following resolutn of the Committee of Management will be submitd to the Meeting:—

"That the Society be formed at their next Meeting of the receipt of Mr. Cowjee Jenhanghir Readymoney's present of works on Oriital Literature of the value of Rs. 3,000, and that it be recommended to the Society that acceptance of be acknowledged in an appropriate letter addressed the donor."

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION.

Translation of an Inscption in Kattiawar, giving the names of five Sah Kings, with remarks. By Bhau Daji, Esq., G. G. M. C.

THE LATE FIRE AT NEW BENGALPOORA.—From an official report from the actin Commissioner of Police, which has been placed at te disposal of the press, wegather the following additional particulars regarding the fire, which took place o the night of the 30th ultimo:—

It appears that the compartment in which the fire took place was stored with bales cotton of the alleged value of Rs. 2,00,000, belonging to one Futtechund Dewchund. The loss resultin from the fire is estimated at half that amount, or Rs. 1,00,000. The cause has not been satisfactory ascertained, but it is supposed to have been the rest of spontaneous combustion. We glean further fr the report that an Insurance on this cotton had been effected with the "North British and Mercantile Insurance Company" for Rs. 80,000. The Commissioner records it as his opinion, that the preservation of a large a quantity of cotton (Rs. 1,00,000) under the cumstances is due to the hearty zeal with which the police of all ranks performed their duty.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.—The efforts made by the Police to extinguish the fire appears to the Hon'ble Council to have been very creditable.

Want of Accommodation in the old Supreme Court House.—For some time past, the Judges and Barristers of the High Court,—erst while the Supreme Court of Bombay,—have loudly and repeatedly complained of the want of proper accommodation in the building in Marine Street, within the Fort, which has served as a Court House for well nigh three quarters of a century. Ever since that time it has been used, first as the Mayor's Court, where the Mayor and Aldermen of Bombay carried on the duties now performed by the Judges of the High Court, and as the Recorder's Court, which on the 1st May 1824 merged into the Supreme Court; and lastly, as the High Court. Although there was "room and verge enough" half a century ago in this building to accommodate the Judges, and their offices, this is not the case now-a-days. The business of the Court in every department has greatly increased, and two Courts are now sitting *en permanence*. There is a want of necessary—even decent—accommodation alike for the Judges and Barristers, and the public. In the larger Hall of Justice there are only about a dozen chairs available to the public, and no benches; so that whoo any trial of more than ordinary interest attracts a crowd of European spectators, they must either stand up all day or sit down on their hams, after the fashion of Asiatics. In the inner Court Room, which was once the Judges' robing room, there is barely sufficient accommodation for the presiding Judge, the professional gentlemen engaged in the business pending before it, a witness-box of very narrow dimensions, and a Reporter's table redolent of *B* flats. There is no robing room for the Barristers, no Law Library—none of those accessaries and conveniences, in fact, which are to be found in these Courts at Home; and, as we understand, in both the other Presidencies. We have been led to notice this matter from reading, in the *Overland Mail* just to hand, a very amusing account of the strife to which three of the English Judges have recently been, by some accident or oversight, reduced by the opening of a second Court of *Nisi Prius* in Westminster Hall; from which it would appear that these dignitaries have suffered even greater discomforts than those complained of here. We quote the paragraph, which will no doubt prove interesting to the members of the legal profession in this place:—

"The judges of the Queen's Bench at Westminster do not appear to be much more fortunate in the accommodation provided for the sittings of their court than their brethren in Bombay. On Tuesday last, it has been announced that the Court of Queen's Bench would hold sittings *in Banco* out of term in the court called the Bail Court, a miserable place, which, as the name imports, was originally designed merely for the purpose of settling matters as to bail, &c., and is very unfitted for the sitting of any court, but which was occupied on Tuesday by Mr. Justice Mellor as a second court of *Nisi Prius*. It was not, therefore, available for the sittings of the court *in Banco*, and there is no other chamber among those appropriated to the courts of common law in which the court could sit Consequently, we are told by the reporters, 'at the latest moment the judges had to discover some other place of sitting, and they could find none nearer or more convenient than a remote room upstairs at the other end of the hall, a sort of shed hastily set up for the occasional use of one of the Vice-Chancellors. The profession and the public were not aware of the alteration of the arrangement and the position of this remote apartment; and therefore counsel, attorneys, and suitors had to discover it and trace their way to it as best they might, and found it no easy matter to do so, going through long passages and up several flights of stairs; and when they got there they found themselves and the learned judges in miserable plight. Being at the top of the building, and quite at one corner of it, it is exposed to the full blaze of the sun, and with no proper provision for the protection of the occupants from its rays, so that the heat was great, and every one was blinded with excess of light; except, perhaps, in the recess, or 'hole in the wall,' in which the judges had to sit, and in which, perhaps, there was as much defect of light as there was a dazzling excess of it in the rest of the room. The chamber being designed for the sitting of a single judge—an equity judge—there was no provision for the sitting of three judges, and the only place for the junior judge (Mr. Justice Shee) was a seat at the Master's table beneath the other two judges. Nothing, in short, could be more unseemly or inconvenient, and on taking his seat, Mr. Justice Crompton (the senior puisne judge) remarked that it had been discovered a few minutes ago that there was no court in the Hall available for them, and (pointing to the bench below him) said that his learned brother (Mr. Justice Shee) could not be permitted to sit there, and that proper accommodation must be provided for him. Mr. Justice Shee then took his seat on the bench beside the other judges, but was unprovided with a table or writing material until the ushers, after some minutes, succeeded in getting them from one of the other courts. Mr. Justice Crompton said that such a place could hardly be called a court of justice, and that the word 'shed,' was much more appropriate. Great difficulty arose during the day in getting books for the use of counsel, every volume having to be fetched from the other courts, and the arrangements generally gave rise to continual expressions of discomfort from every one engaged in the court, Mr. Justice Blackburn going so far asto say, 'I can neither see, hear, nor breathe here.' it was quite impossible for any one unacquainted with Westminster Hall to find the court without a guide, and as no notice had been given of the change of court, many persons who knew the locality well, were wandering about for some time without discovering where the judges were sitting."

CONVICTIONS UNDER THE COTTON FRAUDS ACT.

FROM a statement submitted to Government by Mr. Ravenscroft, Inspector in Chif Cotton Department, of cases disposed of in the Broach Joint Magistracy during the month of May last, we learn of cases of convictions in which the parties were charged, under Sec. I. of Act 9 of 1863, working cotton presses without a license; and in other two cases in which the parties were charged, with adulteratin cotton by mixing with it stones, rubbish, &c.; in the former instance the guilty parties ling punished with fines of rupees ten and twen respectively, and in the latter with confiscatio of the deteriorated cotton.

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.

(For the fortnight endi 30th June.)

RUTNAGIREE.—From the rather report of this Collectorate it appears th the fall of rain had been sufficient for the transplantation of late rice and othe corps which were in an advanced and healthy condition. Eigteen persons died in the village of Malwan from cholera, and seven in the hamlet of Meerkurwad in the town of Ruttnagiree.

COLABA COLLECTORAT.—The fall of rain in the Collectorate had been favourable and the transplanting operations had been commenced in Talooka Ryghur. The corps were reported to be in a thriving state. The state of public health is good. Disease amongst cattle had prevailed to a slight extent in some places in Talooka Ryghur.

FORT POLICE OFFICE.

(BEFORE N. V. OLIVER, ESQ.—*11th July.*)

DISOBEDIENCE OF LAWFUL COMMANDS.—William McEvoy, a seaman of the British ship *Campbell*, was charged by Captain Roy, commander of that vessel, with wilful disobedience of lawful commands, in refusing to duty on board the said ship. On the afternoon of Friday last the prisoner was drunk in the stern sheets of the ship's boat alongside, and very abusive, using disgusting language. When they got him on board they put him down in the hold, where he went to sleep, and yesterday morning he refused duty at the same time making free use of most disgusting language. He had behaved indifferently during the voyage, and was always a lazy and good-for-nothing character. In his defence, the prisoner said he had been abused most awfully in the ship from the time he joined her; and as he persisted in refusing to return to his duty, he was sentenced to four weeks' imprisonment in the House of Correction, with hard labour, to forfeit two days' pay, and then to be sent on board.

THE SAME.—Robert Perris and William Magnes, articled seamen of the British ship *Challenge*, Captain Lane, were convicted of refusal of duty on board the said ship this morning. They persisted in their refusal, after being cautioned by His Worship, and said they were both in a bad state of health. They were convicted and sentenced to four weeks' imprisonment in the House of Correction with labour suitable to their bodily state and condition.

THE SAME IN A NORMAL CONDITION.—George Reid, a seaman of the British ship *Floating Light*, Captain Charles Watson, who had been taken on board of the said ship on Friday last after having undergone a month's imprisonment in the House of Correction for a similar offence, having again refused to do duty, was brought before His Worship in this charge. On being asked whether he would now return to his duty, and being warned that if he persisted in his contumacy he would be sent to jail for twelve weeks, he still persisted in his refusal, saying he would not do so under any circumstances. His Worship repeated his warning to the prisoner but he continued obstinate, thus leaving him no option but to inflict the full penalty of twelve weeks' imprisonment in the House of Correction with hard labour, and to forfeit four days' wages for every day's refusal of duty.

BROACHING CARGO, ACCOMPANIED BY MUTINOUS CONDUCT.—Robert Greeley; Alexander Hamilton; William Lint; Henry Lynch; William Forsyth and George Andrews, articl d seamen of the British ship *City of Edinburg*, Captain Richard Soden, were charged with embezzling a quantity of bottled beer, worth twenty-two rupees, part of the cargo of the said ship. According to the evidence of the Captain it appeared that this morning, at about 12 or 1 o'clock, in consequence of hearing a noise to which his attention was called by his wife, he went on deck, and was going forward when the carpenter and sailmaker stopped him. At this time the chief and second mates were on shore. Shortly afterwards he saw all the prisoners going about the decks drunk and in a state of nudity fighting amongst themselves like a parcel of madmen. He then went below to protect his wife. The prisoner Hamilton planted himself behind the wheel, and shortly afterwards he and another man came aft to the cabin skylight stark naked and hove down a dirty flannel shirt, trying to replenish the lamp. The Captain told them if they did not go forward he would fire on them. They then went forward and the Water Police were sent for, and on Andrews being taken a prisoner over the side he threatened, if he ever was sent on board again he would take the Captain's life. Lint took out his knife and pointed to how much of it he would put into the Captain when he next met him.

The further investigation of this case was adjourned until to-morrow (this day, Tuesday,) at 12 o'clock noon, as His Worship was about to visit the house in which the Moorgay Moolla murder was committed.

LAW.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS OF 1864.

(BEFORE THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE COUCH.)

Sixth Day, Monday, 11th July, 1864.

His Lordship took his seat upon the Bench at 10 o'clock, and at 11 the trial of the Cheating Case, adjourned from Saturday, was resumed: the same jury attending.

Vengerpoo Bapoo said.—I am in the employ of Bappoo Suddasew, I know he borrowed a sum of money of a Marwaree. I was not present, but I made an entry in a book of the transaction on Tuesday the 3rd of May. I made the entry by my master's order (book produced). This book was produced on Saturday. I was present when my master produced it. I did not hear him say that the entry was made, but that he had not brought the book. I was not called upon to point out the entry or I should have done so. The entry is initialed by the Magistrate. I was asked by the Magistrate if I had entered the amount borrowed in the cash book. I said then that when loans were advanced without interest it was not usual to enter it in the cash book. When my master borrows money at interest an entry is made. I am aware that he has paid part of the loan. I do not recollect if the entry was made in the ledger before the prisoners were in Court.

By Mr. Bayley.—The ledger was posted up at the time of the enquiry in the Police Office, and there has nothing been conected, as suggested by the defence, since the Court rose on Saturday.

Verbhan Peta said.—I recollect having a monetary transaction with the prosecutor in May last. I lent him Rs. 3,000.

Wittoo Ramjee, police havildar, said.—I arrested prisoner No. 3 at 5 o'clock on the 12th of May outside the Mazagon Police Office. He was pointed out to me by the prosecutor Trimbuck Narayan. I said to him, pointing to the prosecutor, this man complains of your having taken a sum of money, in notes, from him. He said nothing. I know the 4th prisoner. I did not take him into custody or either of the others. [Mr. Bayley asked this witness if he knew any thing about the other prisoners with reference to this case. His Lordship objected to the question, as the reply might treat the Court to a conversati on between a whole host of sepoys.] Trimbuck said when No. 4 was in my custody this is my thief, where are you taking him to? On the same day I took Trimbuck to the chowky and pointed out No. 1 whom he immediately recognised. I showed him No. 2 elsewhere at the J. J. Hospital. Trimbuck said, with reference to No. 1, this is the man that was dressed as a constable, and he it was who struck. At the hospital when I was with the prosecutor, No. 2 said to him "when was your ship wrecked?" The prosecutor then told me this was the man who was dressed as a sepoy.

By Mr. Anstey.—I did not receive any instructions or have any communication upon this case with any other havildar or policeman.

Govind Wittoo, police jemadar, said.—I arrested three of the prisoners: No. 1 on the 8th May: at 7 o'clock in the morning at Goolabwady road. I said nothing to him with reference to this charge. I search ed the house and found a coat, cap and a pair of trousers. I have these now in Court. They were tied up in a handkerchief and placed under the prisoner's angrikah and turban in his bed-room. The clothes were shown to the prosecutor in the presence of prisoners Nos. 1, 2, and 4. The prosecutor said, these clothes were upon the prisoner No. 1 when disguised as a European constable. At 5 o'clock in the morning of Sunday I arrested No. 2. I arrested No. 4 on Sunday in the same house in which I arrested No. 2. When I arrested No. 2 and 4 I said nothing to them with reference to this charge.

By Mr. Baron.—I arrested No. 1 on a charge made by one Jadoojee; it had no reference to the present charge. I did not state before the Magistrate where the clothes were found. I was not questioned.

By Mr. Anstey.—Constable Ross was present when the house was searched. he did not conduct the case before the Police Court: he did not attend. Akbar Ally attended on the other case for the first day: he did not conduct it. It is customary, when a European constable is present at a search or any thing connected with a crime, that he conduct the charge provided it is in his district. In the present case I received orders from Mr. Edginton, I blong to the detective force, and when a case is given into our charge, it remains with us to conduct it. Whilst he search was going on Jysing, havildar, was standing there: he neither said or did anything, the other havildar held the light whilst I searched. Bagola was assisting. I don't know why Jysing came, or who sent for him. I arrested six men altogether, two were discharged by Mr. Souter: there was no charge against them. I arrested them on my own responsibility, because they were in the houses where the prisoners were arrested. Balaram was one of them: he was not taken up on a charge of swindling by means of adisguise with the clothes in Court. I arrested him. There was another sepoy with me; I don't remember hisname. The two charges against the prisoners are of the same nature. Trimbuck, the prosecutor in the present case, said he was robbed on the 3rd of May. Jadowjee, the prosecutor in the second case, affirms he was robbed on the 7th. I do not recollect the Magistrate threatening to dismiss the case on account of the manner in which the evidence was given.

By Mr. Bayley.—Jaysing had nothing to do in either of these cases. It is invariably the practice to take prisoners first before the Commissioner of Police before they are taken before the Magistrate.

Joseph Ross, constable, said.—I was present when Nos. 1 and 3 were arrested. I conducted the search in the house of No. 1 in the same steer. I saw the clothes, before the Court, brought out from a room there by one of the police who were engaged in the search.

By Mr. Anstey.—I was not examined in this case before. When I went to search the house of No. 2, I asked him if it had any notes about him, and he gave me the notes I mentioned. Jysing, dressed in police clothes. He is a spy or police officer. I am still in the police for the constable of the district to superintend a search. I reached the house of No. 2 about daylight; he was lying on a bed, and said he was sick. Babajee took part in the search. The prisoner No. 2 asked me to keep an eye on them. I told him nothing should be opened except in his presence. No more notes were found. The native police took charge of the prisoner, and I went home. I saw one man in custody at the Police Office, and I went now, I heard his name was Shalagram, is not in the dock in the case before the Police Office, and took no part in the case before the Police Office, and took no part in evidence until now. I know the house with which Bagola given no riding and driving there evening and morning. I have seen numbers of people walking there for pleasure; the place is by no means private.

By Mr. Bayley.—The place is not so frequented after dark; I should not go their unless I was called.

This was the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Barton rose and addressed the Jury on behalf of the first and fourth prisoners. He said that this case as presented them was one of identity. It was an extraordinary case, but he was sure there was none made out against his clients. The second and third prisoners were ably represented by his learned friends Messrs. Anstey and Dunbar, and when their defence was heard, he was satisfie that even if this extraordinary case has not been satisfactorily given in, there would be nothing found to criminate his clients. The learned counsel observed that every mail cases may be read of mistaken identity, where gentlemen of respectability had been charged with the commission of crimes simply from a fancied resemblance; and it was a very small satisfaction when their character, after having gone through the ordeal of being dragged before a police court and from thence to a higher one. If mistakes of this kind occur in a country where all are dressed alike, how much more so where the accused are natives of this country, and disguise themselves one in a European dress, and the other without any clothes at all except in the shape of a lungotee? The first prisoner had also a white face, the witness who swears to him had never seen him before, and when he is recognized, has a black face and is dressed in his usual native costume. The fourth prisoner, in the garb of a native cooly, is seen on the day of the recognition in the garb of a brahmin, and all the light there was to fasten the remembrance of their features upon the memory of the witness was the light from the plant Venus, who, had she the slightest modesty, would have blushed at the nakedness of number 4 in his simple string and pocket handkerchief. The learned gentleman went on to point out the descrepancies and contradictions beween the evidence of the witnesses; and concluded with a very forcible appeal in favour of his clients.

Mr. Anstey for the prisoner number two, said he was of opinion, and he thought he should make it obvious to the Jury, that the beginning of this case was upon the 8th of May, not upon the 3rd. The two cases upon which the prisoners were charged were in all respects alike, with the exception of a slight change in the *dramatis personæ*; the plot is the same, the scenery is unchanged, the only honest man in the whole drama was Mr. Ross: and had he not been present this charge would never have been made. The other case was not yet ripe. But having made the search in his presence they were obliged to do something, and the result was this case, it was at once launched. The Magistrate [illegible] commencement of testimony concealed from him, and which had been extracted in that court. His Lordship, the Jury, himself, and all had been imposed upon until Mr. Ross got into the box. They had been told that Jysing was on the spot as a deaf and dumb witness. Mr. Ross informed them he had taken an active part. Jysing was evidently the moving man in the affair, why was he not produced before the Magistrate and asked what he knew, and how he arrived at the knowledge? The whole was a conviction from first to last; and the learned counsel in attributing the plot to the police said, that their habits and practices did not bear, in any point of view, from the criminal population. The learned gentleman then proceeded to briefly recapitulate the evidence, and to show one by one the contradictions between some and the absurdities of others, and in a most able speech of about an hour and a half protested against a verdict against the prisoner number two, he defended, or either.

Mr. Dunbar followed for his client, number three. His remarks were of course similar to those which fell from the other counsel, and being so voluminous, left him little to say: his defence was therefore necessarily short.

Mr. Anstey said if the Jury were not satisfied he should call witnesses. The foreman replied that the Jury were all agreed as to their verdict, and that was, not guilty: they were of opinion that the whole charge was a fabrication, and that nothing of the kind took place.

His Lordship said it was rather unfair for Mr. Anstey to have made the observation touching witnesses as he did, when the jury, who had already been two days upon the trial, heard of more witnesses, the calling of whom depended upon themselves, they might immediately, from a feeling of weariness, decide upon their verdict without giving it that attention which they otherwise might.

Mr. Anstey said his remark was not intended in that light.

His Lordship said that under the circumstances he thought he had better sum up.

His Lordship then briefly summed up, and pointed out the discrepancies in the case, which he admitted, had been so ably pointed out by Mr. Anstey.

The Jury after having retired for a short time, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Number three was then discharged by proclamation; and the others, who are charged in another case, were enlarged on their recognisances.

AFTERNOON JURY.

MR. F. MCWILLIAM.—*Foreman.*

Messrs. H. Bedford, W. Barn, J. Ford, W. Commery, J. C. P. George, A. Lester, W. A. Smith, J. D'Cruz, Ardaseer Pestonjee, Ragunath Govindjee, and Goolam Hosein Chorgay.

THEFT.—Taj Mahomed Shah Mahomed was charged with the above offence.

It appeared from the evidence of the prosecutor, Manockjee Eduljee, that on the 26th of June last as he was bargaining with a buggy driver the prisoner stood by, and on proceeding further down the road the prosecutor missed his pocket which contained two notes for a hundred, one for Rs 20, and five share certificates. He made known his loss to the police, describing the prisoner, who was taken into custody, and he pointed out to the policeman with whom he had deposited them. The man with whom he left the notes deposed to the fact, and the daffadar proved the finding of it. Upon the evidence adduced he was found guilty, and sentenced to imprisonment for three years, as he had been in jail four times; and his Lordship said in passing sentence, that if a former conviction had been proved he would have sentenced him to transportation.

THEFT.—Joseph Fernandez pleaded guilty to theft and was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

Moorar Jaware, Jamsetjee Shapoorjee, Pearia Satwa, and Laximon Soma, against whom no bills were found, were called up and discharged by proclamation.

The Grand Jury found true bills against all the remaining cases on the Calendar except No. 11, Moorar Juware, for theft and arson. They also found a true bill against Cursetjee Burjorjee and several others, a private bill was filed against the first named for marrying again, his first wife being alive; and the others for aiding and abetting in the above crime.

The Grand Jury then presented the following letter to his Lordship, who having read it, said that what they had suggested in the letter he perfectly agreed with, but he had no power in the matter: the letter, however, should be forwarded to the proper quarter with his recommendation:—

The Grand Jury are desirous of calling your Lordship's attention to the large proportion of cases of theft, cheating, and other crimes of a petty character of which the present Calendar consists, and the investigation into, and trial of which, occupy a great many valuable hours of the Court and Jury, swell the number of prisoners in the jail previous to trial for sometimes two or three months, cause a great deal of additional expense and a vast amount of trouble, which under an altered system might be avoided.

Nor does this remark they submit apply to the present Calendar only, to those of them who have been any time in Bombay, it has always appeared that some change was required, whereby cases of petty crime might be more expeditiously dealt with, not only that the time of the High Court might be saved, but because in this country especially the knowledge that punishment will follow immediately the detection of crime, acts powerfully toward preventing its commission.

It is perhaps hardly within the province of the Grand Jury to do more than bring those facts to your Lordship's notice, but they may perhaps be permitted to suggest that by increasing the powers of the Court of Petty Sessions by making some alterations in its constitution, and by that Court's assembling twice in the week instead of once, all cases of the nature alluded to might be promptly and summarily disposed of, and thus at least one half of the time now occupied in the General Sessions saved for more important business.

RICHARD WILLIS, Foreman.

The Grand Jury having finished their duties, His Lordship thanked them for their public services and discharged them.

The Court rose at 5-40 P. M.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CORRECTION OF MISPRINTS.

To the Editor of the Bombay Gazette.

SIR,—My letter on the method of interpreting the Zend Avesta appeared in last Saturday's issue of your paper, by mistake, without signature. There are besides a large number of misprints in it, some of which I wish to have corrected. The words from to he wishes no doubt to 'Sanscrit teachers' are to be put in brackets. After the sentence 'of other ancient books,' the word 'is necessary' are to be inserted. Instead of 'rare sums' 'rare words' is to be read. After the word 'with any degree of certainty by means of,' the pronoun *it* is to be added. With the word 'etymology' a new sentence commences. The names of Benfey and Lassen are misprinted. You will be good enough to insert these corrections of the pricipal errors.

Poona, 10th July. M. HAUG.

DO THE POLICE KNOW THAT THERE IS A CORONER IN BOMBAY?

To the Editor of the Bombay Gazette.

SIR,—In the obituary column of your to-day's issue a notice appears of the death of a gentleman from wounds caused by the discharge of a fowling-piece; but I have looked in vain among your law reports for any sign of a Coroner's Inquest having been held on the body. Such an omission shows great laxity in the system of death-registration; and, also, one would be inclined to suspect a want of co-operation between the different departments charged with the protection of the public. Were the registration of the cause of every death compulsory, the body of the unfortunate gentleman referred to could not have been buried without its having come to the knowledge of a Government official that he had died by violence, and, as a matter of course, that information would have been communicated to the Coroner without delay. On the other hand, it is scarcely supposable that a person can have lain for six days dying from accidental causes without the police hearing at least of a rumour to that effect; and, if they did, it was of course their duty to take care that the proper authority was informed so that he might institute an inquisition into the nature of the case.

I know nothing whatever of the circumstances beyond what I saw in the obituary notice, therefore you will understand that I bring the case prominently and on public grounds only. A.

[AN APOLOGY FOR] THE WEEK.

(From the Madras Athenæum.)

It is naturally at this the dull season with the Indian year that the familiar plaint of the wax most piteous and loud. We have read with more sorrow than surprise the editorial lamentations which the *Bombay Gazette*, the *Times*, the *Allahabad Observer*, and other journals have recently been raising as the insipidity and difficulty of pleasing that most fastidious and carping of critics, the Anglo-Indian Reader. Editorial woes present indeed a theme, which, adequately treated, might make even the most woeful of Wallahs blush for the querulous egotism which had betrayed him into obtruding upon the public his comparatively childish griefs. But modesty, and an artistic repugnance to harrowing the feelings of the reader by revelations of a too tragic kind, prevent the mourners from more than partially raising the veil which shrouds their sufferings from the world. If these sufferings were but once revealed in their true intensity and depth, mankind would cease to wonder why editors should be invariably of a gloomy and misanthropic turn of mind. Ishmaels at fierce warfare with their kind, roaring lions or at least in lion's skins, ever seeking some official to devour, or, in a dearth of more tender and succulent victims tearing each other to pieces in savage play.

Perhaps, without unduly working upon the feelings of our readers, we may venture to point out one great difficulty overlooked by the plaintive trio above named, which the Indian Press has to encounter, and which we naturally feel with most force when called on to provide what is termed, perhaps in playful irony, the News of the Week. Indian journals appear to us to be in much the same trying position